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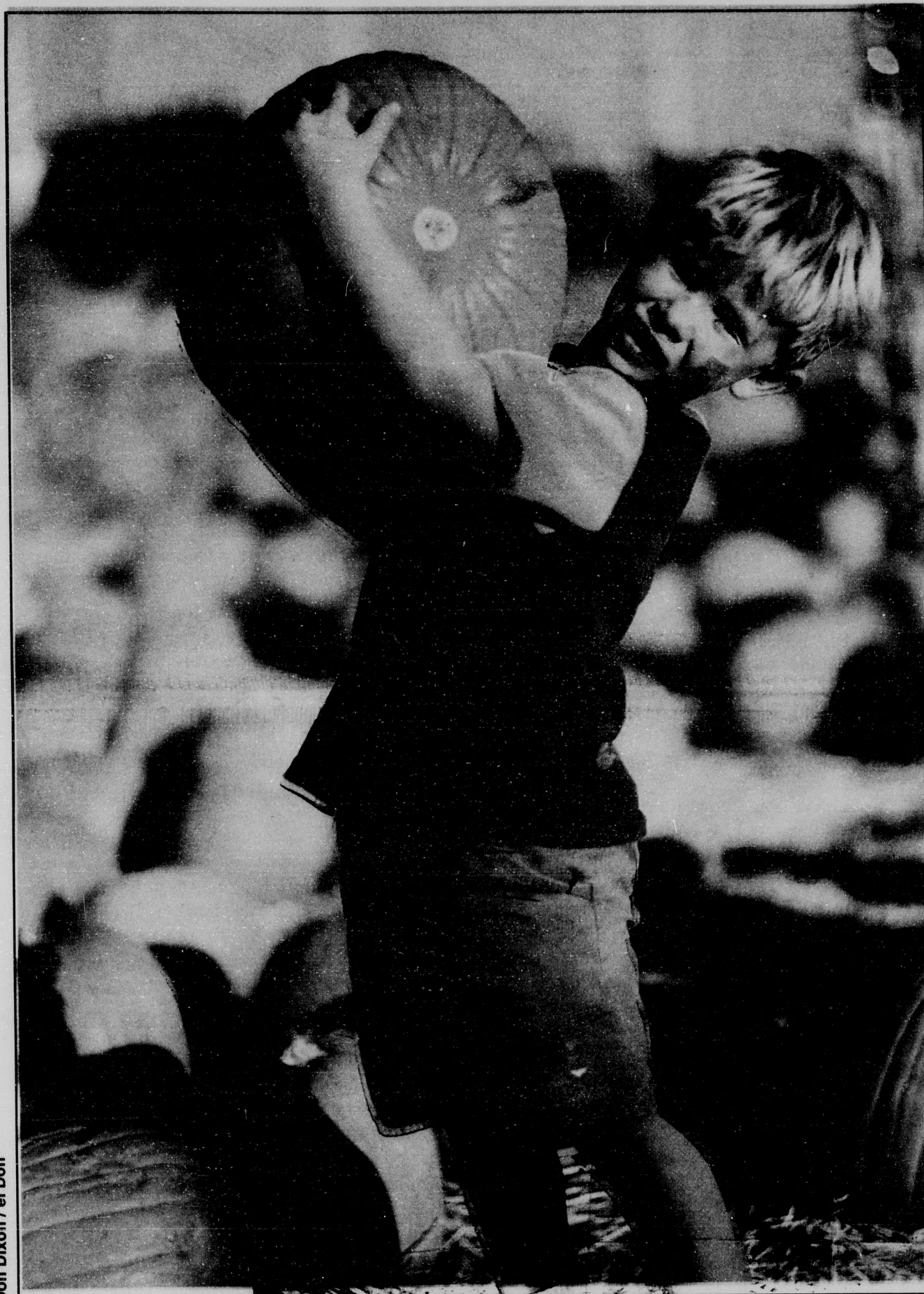
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### It's The Great Pumpkin

Five-year old Artie Trotter gets into the spirit of Halloween by lifting his prized pumpkin for all the world to see. To get the lowdown on what's hot this Halloween, check out our special Style section on page 13.



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## Wilson lowers tuition

**STATE:** Governor signs College Affordability Act to cut tuition by \$1 per unit.

By Stacy Bush  
el Don News Editor

Next fall Santa Ana College students won't dig as deeply into their pockets to pay for such items as parking permits or service fees.

Enrollment fees will decrease from \$13 to \$12 per unit saving the average full-time student \$12 per semester or \$24 a year.

The drop is part of The College Affordability Act of 1997, a bill signed by Gov. Pete Wilson on Oct. 10, and will cut college fees and freeze tuition through the year 2000.

Although a \$1 decrease is minor, many students on campus said they could use the extra cash.

"I think it's a great thing because I have a kid, and it will make things easier. I can use the extra money to pay for parking," said Angel Velasquez, a SAC sophomore.

"It's good for me because I am broke as it is," said sophomore Chris VanLeuven. "I could spend \$24 on a book instead."

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### MONEY LINE



● Full time community college students will save about \$12 per semester or about \$24 per academic year.

● Students who transfer to a UC school will save \$190, and CSU transfers about \$79 per academic year.

### POLITICS

## House targets voter fraud in Sanchez election

California Secretary of State Bill Jones will investigate illegal voting allegations in 46th District

By Stacy Bush  
el Don News Editor

The voter fraud allegations surrounding last year's 46th District election between Rep. Loretta Sanchez and Robert K. Dornan have escalated to new heights as the number of illegal votes cast is now the center of a House of Representatives investigation.

The House Oversight Committee has handed over the investigation to California Secretary of State Bill

Jones in an effort to determine the depth of voting by noncitizens.

Over the last five months, the Committee's investigation swirled around the comparison of names from the Immigration and Naturalization Service and voter registration records in the 46th District.

As the committee turns to Jones as a third party, the democrats are in an uproar.

Involvement of a third party, said Rep. Vernon Ehlers, R-Mich., will Please see FRAUD, Page 4

### THE MOUTHS THAT ROARED



Robert K. Dornan (Rep.) - Served 19 years as congressman - Claims Sanchez elected illegally

### HE SAID ...

If he loses recall bid: "If it all swirls and goes down the drain ... I will run again in 1998."

On the allegations: "I will be the first U.S. congressmen voted out of office by non citizens."

On receiving little support: "I'm losing pieces off my tail and checking my six o'clock ... I'm wounded and shot up with no fighter cover."



Loretta Sanchez (D) California - 46th District Of Garden Grove - Defeated Rep. Robert K. Dornan

### SHE SAID ...

On Dornan's charges: "Bob Dornan has tried to confuse the issues with innuendo and hot rhetoric ... We have nothing to hide, and a fair process will demonstrate that."

On defending her constituents: "I have not been provided with one ounce of information on a single individual on this list of 5,000 people you continue to talk about."



# NEWS BRIEFS

## □ NATION

### LOW-TECH VEGGIES FOR SALE AT STUDENT UNION

TROY, N.Y. - Students strolling through the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Student Union on Fridays are bagging more than their usual coffee and croissant before heading to classes. They're also buying corn, cucumbers and tomatoes - all organically grown on campus.

Members of EcoLogic, the student environmental club, planted and tended an organic garden this summer and now sell produce in the Student Union.

The garden, which was supported by a grant from the university, gives students a place to demonstrate the cultivation of vegetables and herbs without pesticides and chemical fertilizers, said Melinda Kane, a member of EcoLogic.

Produce on sale includes Italian parsley, purple basil and zucchini. Profits will help pay for next year's seeds, said Kane.

- By College Press Service

## □ NATION

### ANOTHER NATIONAL FRATERNITY GOES DRY

LEXINGTON, Ky. - Days after a pledge at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology died of alcohol poisoning, Phi Gamma Delta announced it will ban alcoholic beverages at all 125 of its chapters.

"Alcohol has too much influence on today's college students and our members. We must take action against it," said Douglas Dittrick, president of Phi Gamma Delta's governing board.

Scott Krueger, 18, died Sept. 30. Two days earlier, he had been taken to Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center in a coma after he was found in his basement room at the Phi Gamma Delta house, surrounded by vomit and empty liquor bottles.

Cambridge police are investigating whether hazing may have been involved in Krueger's death.

Phi Gamma Delta joins Phi Delta Theta and Sigma Nu, two other national fraternities, in setting a deadline of July 1, 2000, for making their houses alcohol-free.

- By College Press Service

## □ CAMPUS

### SAC EVENING CONCERTS

They're Back! Santa Ana College announced the return of a long-standing tradition of evening concerts featuring several musical styles including Jazz, Big Band and Symphonic Band Concerts performed by SAC's own music makers.

Concerts begin Sunday Nov. 9 at 7 p.m. in Phillips Hall. All concerts are directed by David Lopez and feature guest performers.

Admission prices vary. For more information about tickets and times call (714) 564-5661.

## □ CAMPUS

### POETRY READINGS ARE BACK

If you suffer from the midweek blues try attending one of SAC English instructor Lee Mallory's poetry evenings.

The Factory Readings are held on the first Tuesday of every Month, beginning Nov. 4, at 8 p.m., at The Gypsy Den Cafe and Reading Room located at 2930 Bristol Street in Costa Mesa. Produced by Lee Mallory and The Poetry Palace, the readings feature singers and published poets, with an open mike following the program. Amateur poets are encouraged to attend. A variety of coffees and desserts are available.

Poetry readings are also held on the second Wednesday of every month beginning Nov. 12 at 8 p.m., at the Alta Coffee House & Roasting Company at 506 31st Street in Newport Beach. These readings also feature music and special guests.

Amateur poets can sign up for the open mike beginning at 7 p.m. Dinner is available from 5 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. For further information call Lee Mallory at (714) 564-6526.

Compiled by the el Don Staff

## PROFILE

# INSTRUCTOR GETS FIRED UP



Don Dixon / el Don

Fire Tech instructor Kevin Southerland with elementary student Olivia Sarabin shows her the finer points of fire science. Sarabin was on a tour with her class Wednesday.

**UP CLOSE: SAC**  
alumnus Kevin  
Southerland is  
living his dream.

By Christina Garcia  
el Don Staff Writer

Firefighter and Santa Ana College instructor Kevin Southerland sometimes walks into the classroom directly from the fire station dressed in his uniform. Or he may walk in wearing boots, wranglers, and a National Finals Rodeo collector's belt buckle.

A 1987 graduate from SAC, Southerland has dedicated a substantial amount of time and effort toward the school's fire technology and fire academy programs.

Starting with a tutoring job for the fire technology department, Southerland gradually expanded his teaching skills to include instruction in auto extrication, urban search and rescue, and a principals of fire class.

An Orange City Fire Department firefighter, new father, and recreational rodeo participant, Southerland sees teaching at SAC as a way of helping mold a new generation of

firefighters.

He's been riding horses for several years, but not as frequently as he'd like to. "Unfortunately, I have class on the night that most of the rodeos are going on," he sighed. "It takes so much time between the classes, the academy, and the job."

I also used to teach at ROP until my wife reminded me that I was married," said Southerland. But he spends quality time with his wife in other ways. "My wife and I participate in amateur team pinning competitions. That's when you take a herd of calves, round them up, and get them into a pen," he chirped.

Having a father as an engineer at Santa Ana Fire Department proved a heavy influence on Southerland, especially in a competitive and demanding field with a limited amount of available positions.

Southerland got his start working at SAC right after graduation. "I started working here when a lady from the fire technology office went on maternity leave. They needed someone to fill her spot; someone who was familiar with the fire technology program as well as with payroll and computer

*"I decided a long time ago that I wanted to be a firefighter, and it was always an interest of mine to eventually be able to train other firefighters."*

work. They knew I was available," said Southerland. "I was in the fire technology office for about 3 months, then they decided to create a position as a tutor." He worked as a tutor for the department for one year, then got hired with Orange City, where he has remained for the past eight years. "I decided a long time ago that I wanted to be a firefighter, and it was always an interest of mine to eventually be able to train other firefighters," Southerland said.

And he's gained notoriety for being a tough academy trainer. "I guess I'm seen that way because of the area that I teach in the academy," remarked Southerland.

"I have to make sure they know what they're doing--there's not a lot of room for error in this field," he said, "but I wouldn't be teaching here if it wasn't the best."

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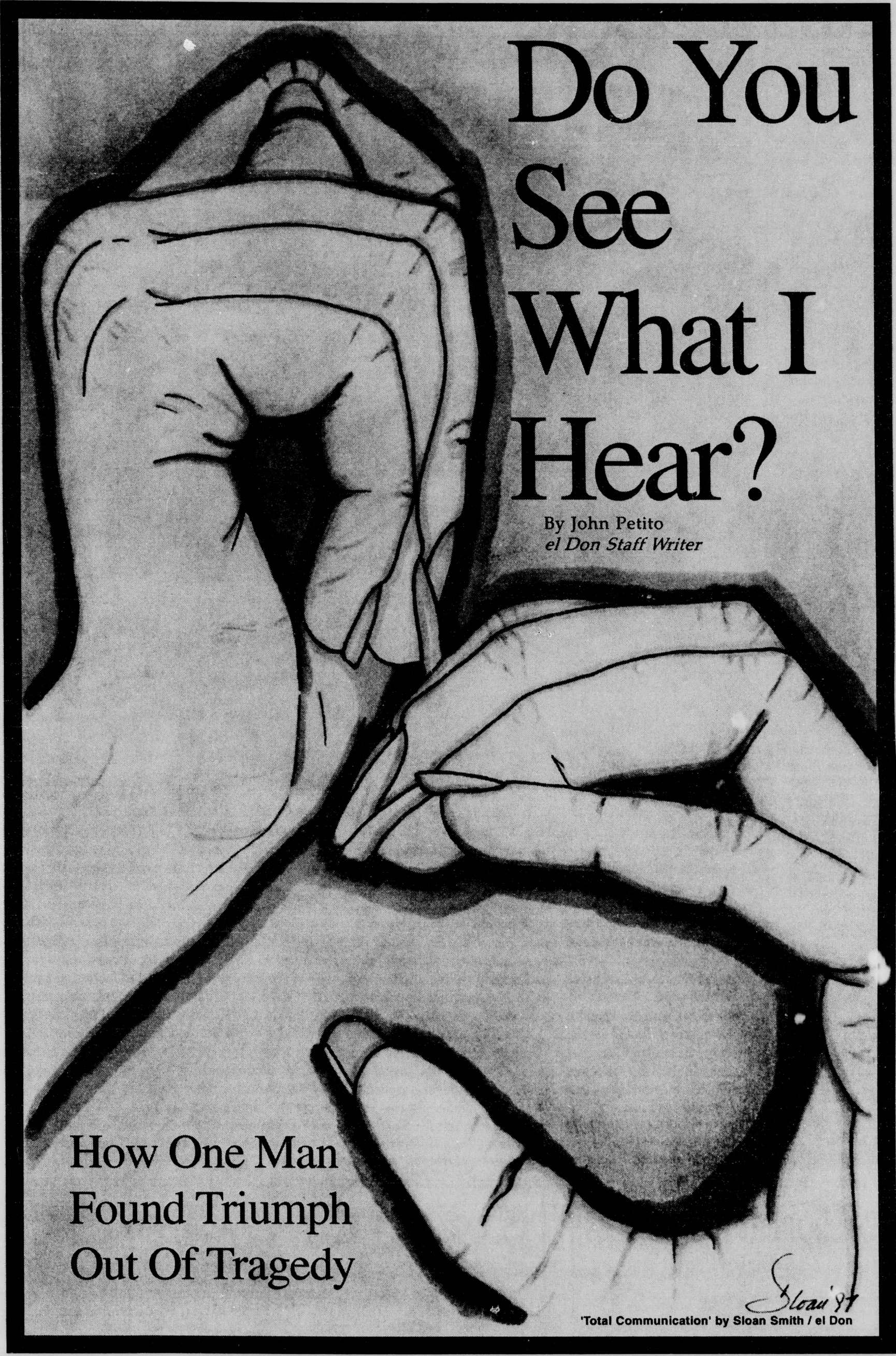
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# Do You See What I Hear?

By John Petito  
*el Don Staff Writer*

## How One Man Found Triumph Out Of Tragedy

*Sloan '97*  
'Total Communication' by Sloan Smith / el Don

**I**t is the morning of Feb. 12, 1995 and I am staring impatiently at myself in the bathroom mirror, struggling to adjust my new tie. My fingers are weak from the surgeries. I have had to remove recurring tumors on my arms and shoulders, as the result of a rare disorder called neurofibromatosis type 2, and now they lack the strength and dexterity they once had.

"Hey, Darrell!" I yell. "Do you mind giving me a hand?" My roommate lumbers into the doorway. "Here, I got it ... hold still," and begins fumbling with my tie. As Darrell is twisting and cinching the knot up around my collar, his fingers slip on the smooth new silk and he somehow jabs his

thumb straight into my left eye. "Ow! Well ... gee, thanks Darrell."

"Any time."

I've never been superstitious, but as I return my gaze in the mirror, rubbing my sore eye, I can't help wondering if this is an omen of things to come.

Today, at three o'clock, I am getting married.

Because of past surgeries - to remove the brain tumors that once threatened my life - I am no longer able to hear or smile or walk without a cane and I have more than my usual self-conscious dread about this today.

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# Fraud:

republicans are willing to duel democrats over Sanchez's victory

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ensure that there is no political bias in the investigation, but House Democrats disagree.

Minority Leader Richard Gephardt said that Democrats did not agree to hand the investigation over to Jones, but according to Rep. Bill Thomas, R-Bakersfield, chairman of the House Oversight Committee, this will not halt Jones' review of the files.

"It's not if, don't even think it's if, it's how many, and to do it right and to do it properly it takes time," Thomas said Thursday, referring to the amount of illegal votes cast in the election.

Sanchez then took the floor of the House in her defense.

"I have not been provided with one ounce of information on a single individual on this list of 5,000 people you continue to talk about," she said.

Jones so far has reported 305 illegal votes out of about 1,600 registered by Hermandad Mexicana Nacional. Hermandad is the organization targeted for registering ineligible voters and has been under investigation by the Orange County district attorney's office since records were seized in March of this year.

The three member task force leading the voter fraud investigation is expected to meet and organize the review, said Thomas.

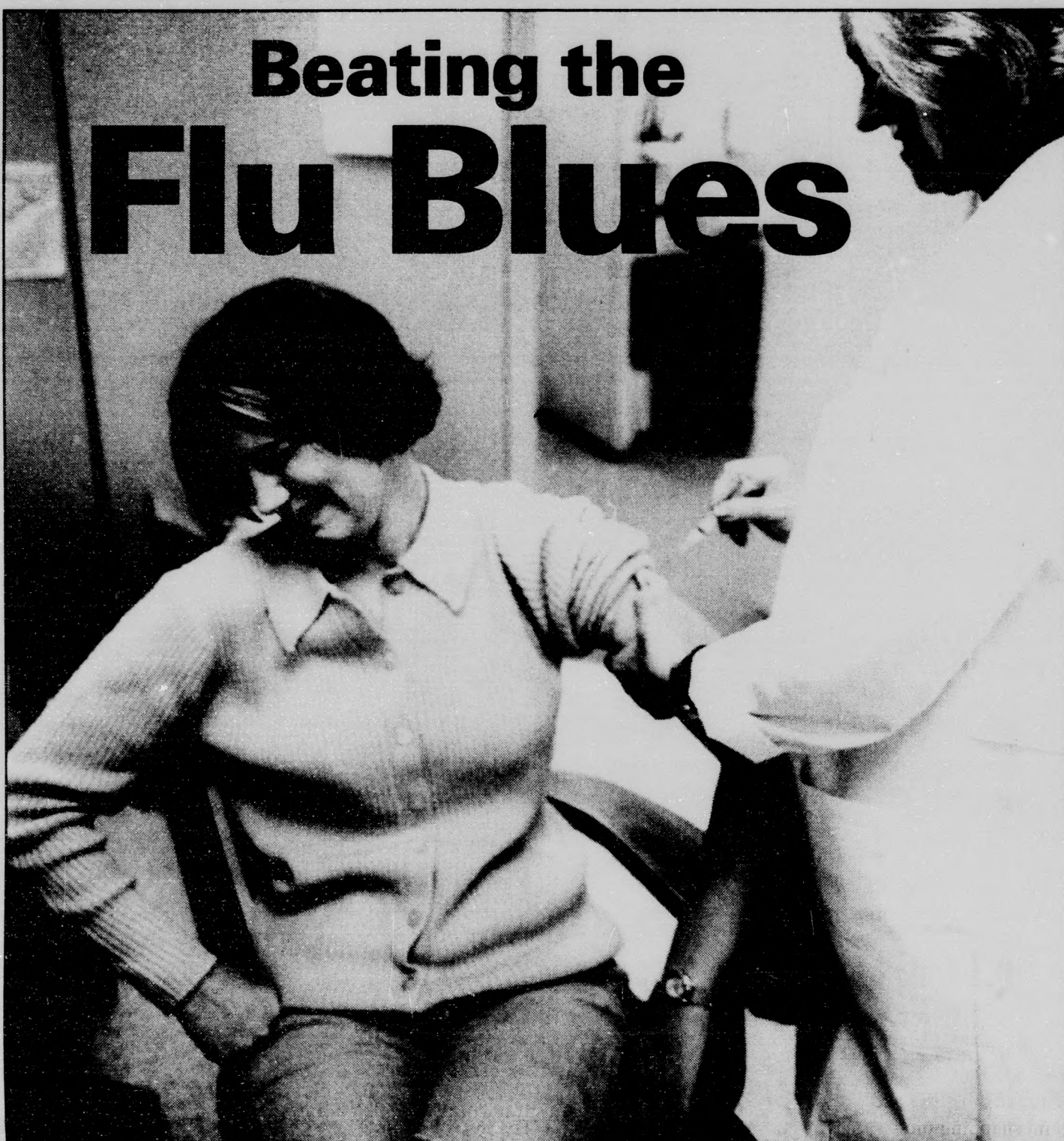
But House Democrats say the data collected is unreliable.

"We have already shown that Jones' numbers aren't right," Sanchez said.

Many of the people on the list were citizens when they voted, she said, and turning the investigation over to Jones relieves Republicans of their duty to decide on the outcome of elections.

Jones has not yet received any voter registration and immigration files from the House Oversight Committee and until then, a time approximation of the review is unknown, Deputy Secretary of State Rob Lapsley said.

## Beating the Flu Blues



Flu season has arrived early but SAC students can beat the bug

Photo Illustration by Christina Georges / el Don

By Jason Chittenden  
el Don Staff Writer

Once again the dreaded flu season is upon us, and this year it is approaching earlier than usual. According to the Centers for Disease Control the flu has arrived before vaccinations are readily available to the public.

But help is here. The Health and Wellness Center in the Johnson Center at Santa Ana College is offering flu shots for \$7. It is recommended that vaccinations are taken in October or November to build immunity to the virus. But the

shots will be available through March of 1998. Vaccinations are not recommended for those allergic to eggs, or who have heart or lung problems.

Some students are fearful of vaccinations, but the pain is minimal. "The shot didn't hurt all that bad, especially compared to the suffering of having the flu," said William Chen, an 18-year-old freshman.

Much like the common cold, the flu (it's clinical name is influenza) is mainly spread between people indoors, especially at schools, nursing homes, and other places where there are large crowds of people. Outbreaks

usually occur in the winter and early spring.

Signs and symptoms of influenza include: fever, chills, headaches, sore throat, cough, nasal congestion, muscular aches, fatigue, and weakness.

Influenza can last for as little as a day to as long as a week or more. "When I was ten I had the flu," said Robert Schaefer, a freshman at SAC. "I was stuck in bed for a week. I could hardly move."

Complications can arise from the flu, including acute sinusitis, bronchitis, and pneumonia. Pneumococcal pneumonia is the most common complication and sta-

phylococcal pneumonia can even lead to death.

There is no cure for the flu, but bed rest, proper nutrition and drinking lots of liquids will help. A sedative cough medicine may provide temporary relief while the antiviral drug amantadine, can help relieve other symptoms of influenza. Antibiotics should only be used for complications caused by bacterial infection.

Overall, the best way to avoid the bug is to get a flu shot every fall.

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# Sign:

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What will it be like trying to communicate with so many friends and family? I wonder how I will look, suited and neck-tied, posing for the photographer beside Gail, my lovely new bride.

Looking into the mirror confirms my reasoning — that my facial paralysis is more difficult for me to accept than my total hearing loss. My deafness cannot be seen. But no matter how happy, confident or optimistic I feel, or how at peace I am with my life, to others I appear to be injured and unhappy, decimated with my crooked face.

The thought of not being able to hear or smile on the happiest day of my life strikes me as tragic ... yet peaceful, almost romantic. It's a strange balance of pleasure and anguish.

I look back into the mirror: It's okay; this is who I am.

She says I smile more truly than anyone she's ever met.

She learned sign language.

(Sigh) I'm such a sucker for dramatics.

Locking up and leaving my apartment for the last time as a single guy, I drive to the wedding ceremony.

The large parking lot is nearly full. Many guests have already arrived and are being seated.

Everyone seems excited, chatting and hugging, laughing and snapping pictures. Young children cast yearning eyes as they walk past the long table of colorfully wrapped wedding presents. Like the children, I'm quietly thinking of future possibilities — of our possibilities together.

I'm glad to see the atmosphere is casual and very festive and I suddenly realize ... that everyone Gail and I know well and care about, are in this building.

Things are happening fast now. Holly, Dawn, Denise, and Diana, four of my close friends who are also sign language interpreters, are here. They are busy introducing themselves and arranging seating for our four deaf guests.

Holly will interpret for me during the ceremony.

"Where would you like me to stand?" she signs.

"Between Gail and the pastor ... that way I can see everyone while you're signing."

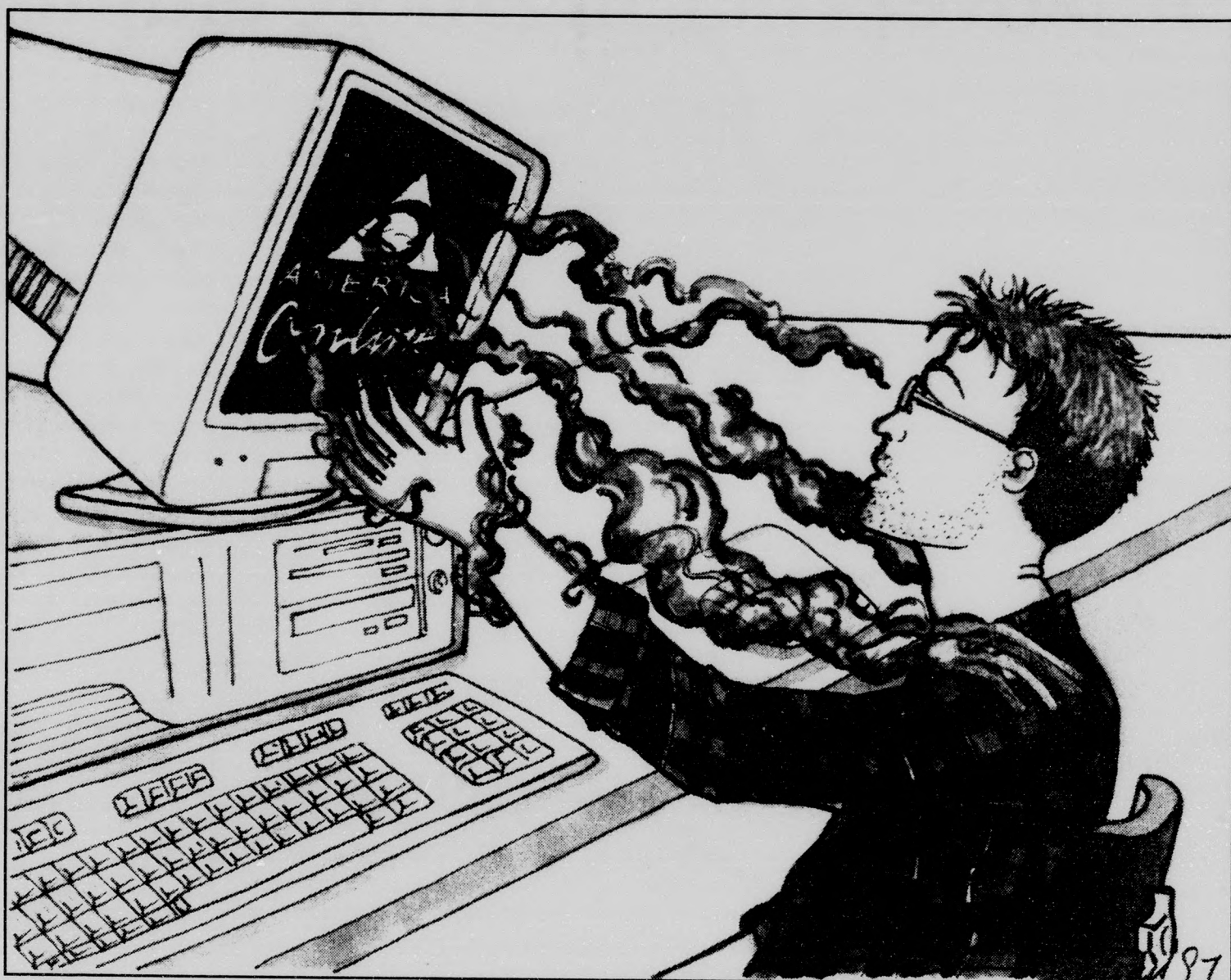
Dawn is quickly wrapping thin red and white ribbons around my cane as if it were a huge aluminum Christmas treat.

Five years ago, as I underwent the surgery that saved my life and caused my deafness, I was given an experimental hearing device called an auditory brainstem implant (ABI).

When my ABI is hooked up and working, I am able to use the limited sounds I hear with it to lip-read others much better than I would be able to without it. I would very much like to wear it now during my wedding.

I spend nearly five confusing and worrisome minutes trying to get the device hooked up and working, but with no luck.

My ABI is an older model developed nearly 8 years ago and it's often difficult and awkward to hook up and turn on. And the uneasiness of knowing that there are 150 - plus guests waiting



## Addicted to the net

**Experts are comparing internet addiction to alcohol and drug abuse**

By Jon Chabot  
el Don Staff Writer

Abuse of drugs or alcohol might seem different than spending too much time on the internet, but according to some experts, internet addiction can have just as serious consequences for mental health as any addictive substance.

While many are skeptical about the idea of something as technological as the internet becoming addictive, some researchers are not so sure. What makes it dangerous is that it doesn't take its toll on the user's body, but on his or her time.

Because the information on the internet is virtually limitless and because groups can talk

### SIGNS OF ADDICTION

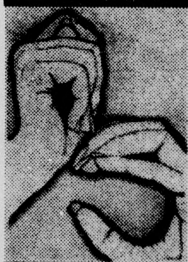
- Internet dependants can spend as long as 38 hours per week on the net which is five times the amount of average users.
- Common traits of internet addicts include: inability to control use, restlessness, irritability and withdrawal symptoms.

for hours, addicts spend more and more time on their computers to the extent of neglecting their responsibilities, like schoolwork, personal hygiene, or even household duties.

A "chat group" is a special function of the internet, whereby a user can join a particular "channel" on the internet, where there are other users logged on. Each user

can type in a statement, hit return, and it will appear on the screen. With a dozen or more participants on a single channel, a chat group can seem like a room of people all talking excitedly to each other, in screenplay format. No one knows what the others look like, how old

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*The wedding music begins to play. All eyes are on me now. For an instant it becomes painfully obvious in my mind that I cannot hear a thing and I cannot smile. I wince, but the thought passes away like a quick deep breath. I am not nervous. I feel very relaxed ...*

doesn't help.

Bob Shannon, the director of the ABI program at the House Ear Institute in Los Angeles, has driven down with most of the members of the ABI research team to attend our wedding.

As he sees me struggling with the device, Bob walks over.

"Are you okay, John? Do you need help?"

"I haven't been able to get it working for the past week or so ..."

Shannon removes his glasses and holds them at an angle in front of his face - to serve as a makeshift magnifying lens - and carefully squints his eyes to peer at the eight tiny gold pins within the small black plug beneath my hair.

"One of your pins is bent."

I can see the anguish in his face. He wants to get my ABI working as much as I. Perhaps more.

"That's all right. I'll wing it."

My cousin, who is a minister and will be marrying us today, comes to tell me, "We're almost ready to start."

"Will you be reading our vows to us from a written script?" I ask.

"Yes."

"Could I read it before we begin ... so I'll be sure to understand everything you'll say?" My cousin hands me a narrow yellow handwritten note tucked between the pages of his small bible.

I quickly read the prepared vows twice through.

"Okay, I'm ready."

I walk in and wait with my interpreter, Holly, and Doug, who is my best man.

The wedding music begins to play. All eyes are on me now. For an instant it becomes painfully obvious in my mind that I cannot hear a thing and I cannot smile. I wince, but the thought passes away like a quick deep breath. I am not nervous. I feel very relaxed in fact.

Gail suddenly appears in a long white gown holding a large bouquet of red tulips tied in a bow of thin white ribbons. She is smooth, elegant and pretty as an angel. Everyone turns to look at her now as she glides up the aisle to me, and I take her hand.



# Employers placing more emphasis on BA's

**DEGREES:** Many graduates are going back to school for a higher education.

By Christina Garcia  
el Don Staff Writer

As college enrollment rates increase, the number of students declaring undecided majors is rising with it.

About 28 percent of U.S. citizens have bachelor's degrees, showing an increased awareness of the importance of higher education. But the major concern is the availability of jobs in a par-

ticular field. Now, many students are going back to school to obtain masters degrees and Ph.D.'s to ensure their futures.

Irene Gonzales, a former Santa Ana College student, who graduated from California State University, Fullerton with a bachelor's degree in human services has spent the last year looking for a counseling job. In the meantime, she works as a bank teller to pay back the student loans she has accumulated.

"I can't find an employer who wants to hire any one with out master's degree," said Gonzales. "Everywhere I apply, they say I need more experience and/or more education," she said. Frus-

trated, Gonzales is currently volunteering for a local school district as an unpaid intern to get the experience she needs. She is considering going back to college for a master's degree.

Some careers may be more difficult to penetrate than others. Degrees in business and human resources for example, have more potential openings than say a degree in fire technology, where only about 2 percent are actually hired by a fire department. In these specialized fields, the more education and experience one has, the better the chances.

"What most students are doing is going to school with undeclared majors," said Herb Ortiz, a col-

lege career counselor for El Rancho Unified High School District. "A lot of times, students declare a major and end up changing it during their freshman or sophomore year. It's a good idea for students to take general education classes to see what their interests are before choosing a field," Ortiz said.

Some companies, however, hire graduates regardless of their area of concentration. These are usually large companies who have extensive internal training programs that simply requires someone who is able to learn quickly and make decisions using analytical problem-solving skills.

Steve Cavazos, human resources manager for the Day's Inn at Fullerton agrees. "I don't believe college makes you any smarter, it just teaches you how to think," said Cavazos. "I got my bachelor's degree in finance, but I'm working in human resources. I decided to go with finance because I figured if nothing else, I would learn how to invest my money," Cavazos said.

"What we need in management is people who can think," he said. "If someone has gone to college, it portrays that they are able. We train them in the positions we place them in anyhow, so even though a degree in the field is helpful, it's not necessary."

## CAMPUS

# Tuition: students reap savings

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During the recession of the early 1990s state college fees sky-rocketed. Community college fees rose 290 percent, 134 percent at the University of California and 103 percent at the California State University.

UC and CSU fees will drop 5 percent and will also freeze under the act. Students who plan to transfer to a UC next fall will save \$190 per year, and CSU transfers will save \$79.

"I just hope the fee decrease will mirror the major increase that

happened a few years ago," said SAC counselor John Acuna.

SAC student Kari Delaney wouldn't mind seeing fees drop even lower. "If fees dropped to \$5 a unit, like when I started at Fullerton Community College, that would be even better."

Since 1984, this is the first-time fees have been cut and only the second-time in the state's history, according to Assemblywoman Denise Ducheny (D-San Diego) who sponsored the bill.

"I think it's about time," board of trustees member Pete Maddox

said, "but I think it's too little."

We should be investing more in education, he said. "Imagine how many people can't go to college even with a \$100 decrease."

Revenue lost by the colleges will be supplemented by the state, said SAC Chancellor Edward Hernandez.

"I would like to see a flat fee implemented," Hernandez said. The decrease is a positive factor for students, but fees often fluctuate up and down. "Students are the ones who are affected."

# Internet:

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*"Individuals who aren't computer savvy can log-on and become immersed in the fantasy world they create on-line."*

they are, or even their real names. This allows some users to pretend to be someone else, and to escape reality. The chat group is relatively uncomplicated, so nearly anyone could learn to join one.

"I've seen the exact same pattern for years," says Kimberly S. Young, a University of Pittsburgh psychologist, who has conducted a three-year study on Net addiction.

"Individuals who aren't computer savvy can log-on and become immersed in the fantasy world they create on-line," Young said.

Internet addicts do not have to be especially proficient in the use of computers, despite the stereotype of the emaciated young nerd hunched over his keyboard. Rather, the highest percentage of "dependents" were middle-aged women of limited education, according to Young's study.

Over the course of her studies, Young identified over 396 "dependents." 42 percent of which were unemployed college students or homemakers.

These "dependents" often use the chat groups to escape from reality and to form a separate fantasy world around them.

This is easy because in a chat group, the only thing anyone knows about the person talking in the chat group

is what he or she types.

A red-headed 25-year-old woman could claim to be a blond 67-year-old, 300-pound crone, and might get away with it if she phrased her words just right. The people who are likely to become dependents often come from impoverished life-styles, and thus seek escape from that life.

Young's study indicated that, typically, an avid user of the internet will spend about eight hours a week prowling the web sites or chatting. The "dependents" averaged 38 hours of use a week, nearly five times the normal amount.

Common traits of dependents are: a preoccupation with the internet, inability to control use, restlessness, irritability and "withdrawal symptoms"

Critics of the internet addiction theory, like psychologist Harvey Skinner of the University of Toronto, say that while it is true some people abuse it, the internet is no more addictive than playing golf.

"It's being overblown because of the rapid expansion of the Web," Skinner says. He agrees that there are people who spend far too much time online, but fears that calling this an addiction will "medicalize" something that isn't a medical problem.

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# Going to Pot

Most Santa Ana College students find better ways to spend their free time than by getting high

By J.P. Chabot  
el Don Staff Writer

Testing for marijuana, the drug that causes more disputes in sports than arguing with the referee, induces multiple reactions among the students at Santa Ana College.

Although there is no testing of any kind for any drug in SAC, the possibility that it might someday be a reality has tempers flaring across the campus. Their reactions are generally divided into two categories: those that think it is an invasion of privacy, and those who think it is the only way to clean up the problem of athletic drug use.

Some, like Stephanie Adams, head of the SAC scholarships office, are totally against it because they feel that it wouldn't solve any problems.

"It's an invasion of privacy," she says. "I really don't see the purpose of it. The focus is negative, as if drug testing was meant to punish people. It isn't helping anyone with drug problems."

## Stoner Terminology

### Marijuana:

Pot, Reefer, Ganga, Bud, Weed, Joint, Herb, Chronic, Head, Mary Jane, Doobie, Kryptonite, Phat Nugs, Hydroponix,

### Smoking Marijuana:

Smoking Out, Getting High, Getting Stoned, Passing a Doobie, Smoking a Bowl, Taking Bong Rips, Toking Up, Budding

### Paraphernalia:

Zig Zags - paper for rolling joints  
Roach Clips - to hold joints until last puff  
Bongs - Large pipes with water to filter and cool the smoke. AKA: Supercharger, Mr. Toad's Wild Ride, Shotgun

### Smokers:

Stoners, Curbies, Burnouts, Schmokers, Tokers, Rastamans, Heads, Potheads

On the other hand, Juan Mares, SAC women's soccer coach, is for drug testing because he says that drug using athletes don't fulfill their obligations to the team.

"When the athletes participate on the team," Mares says, "they sign a contract. To take drugs on their own time is a detriment to the team, and they have responsibilities to the team. They shouldn't be selfish."

Not everyone is against the test, and not everyone is against recreational marijuana use.

"Pot smoking is good," said Mo, a SAC football player. One anonymous Santa Ana College athlete admits freely to using marijuana, while still supporting the idea of testing for drug use in athletes.

"I think it's great," he said of marijuana. "It relaxes me." This comment isn't so unusual, many marijuana smokers use this rationale. But the athlete also supports drug testing on campus.

"If they ask an athlete to take a voluntary test, then that's cool, too," he said. "It shouldn't be any of the coach's concern what you do outside of the school as long

as you don't bring it on the field." He went on to say that it wasn't good to smoke marijuana on campus, saying that, "coaches should be able to trust their athletes."

A few confused students just don't know what to think about the pot on campus fuss.

"I can't tell as far as right or wrong," says Nathan Wojahn, 20, "but I guess I don't have a problem with drug testing."

There is one thing nearly everyone agrees on, though: marijuana is bad for both the smoker's physical and mental health.

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# Study suggests marijuana use as harmful as other narcotics

**DRUGS:** The human brain is affected similarly by marijuana and harder narcotics.

By Colleen De Baise  
Special to the el Don

Sure, marijuana kills brain cells, but everyone knows it's not as harmful as cocaine, heroin and other major drugs right? Not exactly, say scientists.

New evidence, based on studies of rats, suggests that chronic use of marijuana produces changes in the brain similar to those seen after long-term use of other illicit drugs. And, scientists say, those changes literally prime the brain to be more easily affected by drugs in the future.

"This study shows that marijuana use shares common brain changes and mechanisms with other drugs of abuse", said Dr. Alan I. Leshner, director of the National Institute on Drug Abuse, National Institutes of Health, which supported this research.

During the study, marijuana-treated rats showed dramatic withdrawal symptoms when injected with a substance that blocks the drugs high effects. The changes in brain chemistry were similar to those seen during withdrawal from alcohol, cocaine and other drugs.

That may come as a surprise to some, because powerful feelings of withdrawal are relatively uncommon in marijuana users, said Dr. George Koob, a study investigator at the Scripps Research Institute in La Jolla, Calif.



Photo illustration by Christina Georges / el Don

But the finding "suggest that addiction to one drug may make a person more vulnerable to abuse and addiction to other drugs," he said. "[Marijuana abuse] may lead to a subtle disruption of brain processes that are then 'primed' for further and easier disruption by other drugs of abuse."

Marijuana is the illicit drug of choice among college students, according to

the NIDA. In a 1994 survey of 1,200 college students, 29 percent said they had used marijuana in the past year. About 6.2 percent had tried hallucinogens; 5.2 percent had used LSD; 2 percent had tried cocaine; and only 0.1 percent admitted to using heroin.

The findings are important because they point to a deeper understanding of

how addiction happens, and that may lead to new ways to treat drug abuse, Leshner said.

"We know that a substantial number of chronic marijuana users become addicted, and previous research with animals has shown that stopping heavy marijuana use suddenly can cause distinct withdrawal symptoms," he said.

## KICKING THE HABIT

How to reduce the side effects from quitting marijuana

◆ Take warm baths.

◆ Drink lots of clear liquids like water

◆ Drinking cranberry juice helps to cleanse and purify your system.

◆ Reduce fat intake until digestion has returned to normal

◆ Reduce consumption of caffeine until the shakes are gone and your sleeping patterns are normal.

◆ Drink a warm glass of milk before bed, to help with insomnia.

◆ Eat foods with lots of potassium like bananas and green vegetables.

## WHY LEGALIZATION

"Pot should be available to sick people because it helps them deal with pain."

-Brian Ramos, 22  
Criminal Justice major

"It doesn't harm anyone. Why not make it available?"

-Lupe Ramirez, 18  
Child Development major

"Let's spend our tax money on what matters, not denying medicine to sick people."

-Kevin Juarez, 24  
Undeclared

## Federal law prevents medical use of marijuana

**LAWS:** Despite the newly passed Prop. 215, it is still illegal to buy, sell, or grow marijuana in the state of California.

By Veronica Peterson  
el Don Feature Editor

Suzi Griffith is a stay at home mom. She spends countless hours running around after her two-year-old daughter. Unlike most moms, she needs marijuana to help her do so. A few puffs in the morning and a few at night help her get through the day.

She suffers from rheumatoid arthritis, a disease that deteriorates the joints causing her bones to rub together re-

sulting in muscle spasms and incredible pain. Under the protection of the newly passed Proposition 215, Griffith can legally smoke marijuana to ease her suffering.

According to Prop 215, chronically ill patients that have diseases such as cancer, AIDS, glaucoma or arthritis, are legally permitted to use marijuana, provided they have the approval of a licensed physician.

Although the bill passed last November, with almost 60

percent of the vote, it was tied up in appellate court for months. This May, U.S. District Court Judge Fern Smith ruled that doctors could recommend marijuana to patients previously diagnosed with a chronic illness, but they were not permitted to help them obtain the drug.

"I have an HMO, doctor, who isn't allowed to write prescriptions for marijuana, even though he agrees I need it," said Griffith.

Because marijuana is de-

fined in the American Controlled Substance Act as a drug with "no accepted medical value", the only way to federally legalize it, would be through an Investigational New Drug application issued through the Food and Drug Administration. Federal law still considers marijuana an illegal substance and will prosecute anyone in possession of, or cultivating the, no matter what their reason. "Truth is, even if he wrote me

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# Drug arrests soar on college campuses

**CRIME:** Stricter enforcement, not an increase in use cited as cause for arrests.

By Colleen DeBaise  
Special to the el Don

**D**rug arrests on college campuses have soared in recent years, but that is due more to stricter enforcement than a growing numbers of users, say campus officials.

Drug arrests jumped 18 percent in 1995, marking the fourth year in a row with a double-digit increase in arrests, according to an annual survey of 500 colleges by the Chronicle of Higher Education.

Most of the drug arrests involved marijuana, although the number of arrests involving LSD and cocaine were slightly higher, the survey found.

There were 6,797 drug arrests and 15,208 arrests for alcohol violations, confirming campus officials' impressions that alcohol is by far the biggest substance abuse problem. Overall, however, alcohol arrests rose only about 1 percent from 1994.

The Chronicle survey found that incidences of other crimes dropped in 1995, which paral-



## UNIVERSITY CRIME STATISTICS

From a survey of 500 colleges and universities in 1995

- ◆ 6,797 drug arrests, up 18% from 1994.
- ◆ 15,208 alcohol arrests, up 1% from 1994.
- ◆ 973 sex offenses, up from 955 in 1994.
- ◆ 15 murders, down from 16 in 1994.
- ◆ 16,011 burglaries, down from 16,789 in 1994.
- ◆ 1,038 robberies, down from 1,157 in 1994.

Source: The Chronicle of Higher Education

leled national trends. There were 15 murders, down from 16 in 1994; 1,038 robberies, down from 1,157; and 16,011 burglaries, down from 16,789. But the number of sex offenses rose to 973, up from 955 in 1994.

Colleges that receive federal funds are required by the 1990 Student Right-to-Know and Campus Security Act to disclose campus crime statistics. For its survey, the Chronicle analyzed data from only the largest universities those with more than 5,000 students.

Eleven colleges reported more than 100 drug arrests in 1995: Arizona State, Michigan State, Northern Arizona and San Jose State universities; Rutgers University at New Brunswick; and the universities of Arizona, California at Berkeley, Maryland at College Park, Michigan at Ann Arbor, North Carolina at Greens-

boro, and Wisconsin at Madison.

The largest jump was at Northern Arizona, where drug arrests increased by 40 percent in 1994, then 70 percent in 1995. But according to Larry Barnett, director of the university police department, the high numbers resulted from aggressive enforcement. By 1996, the number of drug arrests at NAU had dropped 23 percent.

"The first thing we did when we recognized there was an increase in alcohol and drug violations was involve the [campus] community", he said. A few years ago, Barnett started the Campus Safety Aides programs, in which students with police radios and mountain bikes patrol areas that police cars can't reach.

"They're a real strong deterrent to rapes and that sort of thing," he said. "The students have come across students smoking mari-

juana. They're basically the eyes and ears of the police department."

The 20 Campus Safety Aides are paid by the university, and those who are criminal justice majors can receive course credit. But Barnett, like other campus officials, reports that an increasing number of students are growing intolerant of their peers' drug use.

"We saw a significant increase in students reporting other students using drugs," he said. There were 133 drug arrests in 1995, up from 78 the previous year, and many tips came from students sick of drug use in their dorms, he said.

At NAU, the university police department cracked down on drug and alcohol abuse with the idea that "we would be able to reduce the likelihood of sexual assault," Barnett said. The number of reported rapes at NAU dropped from six in 1994, to two per year in 1995 and 1996.

The Chronicle cautioned that the data collected from the reports may understate campus crime.

Many universities do not include crimes that are reported to officials other than the police, such as deans or counselors, even though the law requires them to do so, the Chronicle said.

## Smoke:

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"Smoking pot is lame," says Wojhan. "I don't think you're a bad person if you do it, but it's a waste of time."

Even the confessed users of marijuana, who opted to remain anonymous, cautioned against it.

"I certainly don't recommend it," said one Jorge who mans the Peabody's Coffee stand. He says he is against it.

"Pot leads to bad things," Jorge, 18, says.

"I have friends who do it and all they want to do is get high. It causes some mood swings, too. I think we can have fun without smoking pot."

"My brother did it once because of peer pressure," said Ayo Jacobs, a SAC student. "It put a lot of stress on me. His personality changed so much, I realized, 'This isn't the brother I knew.' He eventually got out and quit, but it takes a higher power to stop it."

"I feel it ruins you," said Terrance Williams, 18. "It's just like smoking cigarettes. Eventually, it will kill you."



## Prop. 215: Opponents of the law fear abuse by recreational users

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a prescription there would be almost nowhere to buy it legally", said Griffith.

There are no stores in California permitted to sell marijuana to ill patients. The Cannabis Buyers' Club has operated illegally for many years with stores located in San Francisco, San Diego and Los Angeles. Under the protection of Prop. 215, the initiative written by the club's founder Dennis Peron, the club continues to help nearly 11,000 people annually ease their pain by providing a safe environment to use and sell marijuana. Peron has recently spoken before the House Judiciary Committee on the benefits of medical marijuana.

Despite his strong political connections his club still has to deal with constant harassment from drug enforcement agencies. The San Francisco branch was raided just one month before Prop. 215 was passed. California drug enforcement officers seized 150 pounds of marijuana and the medical records of thousands of terminally ill patients.

"It's totally ridiculous that the government spends our tax money on regulat-

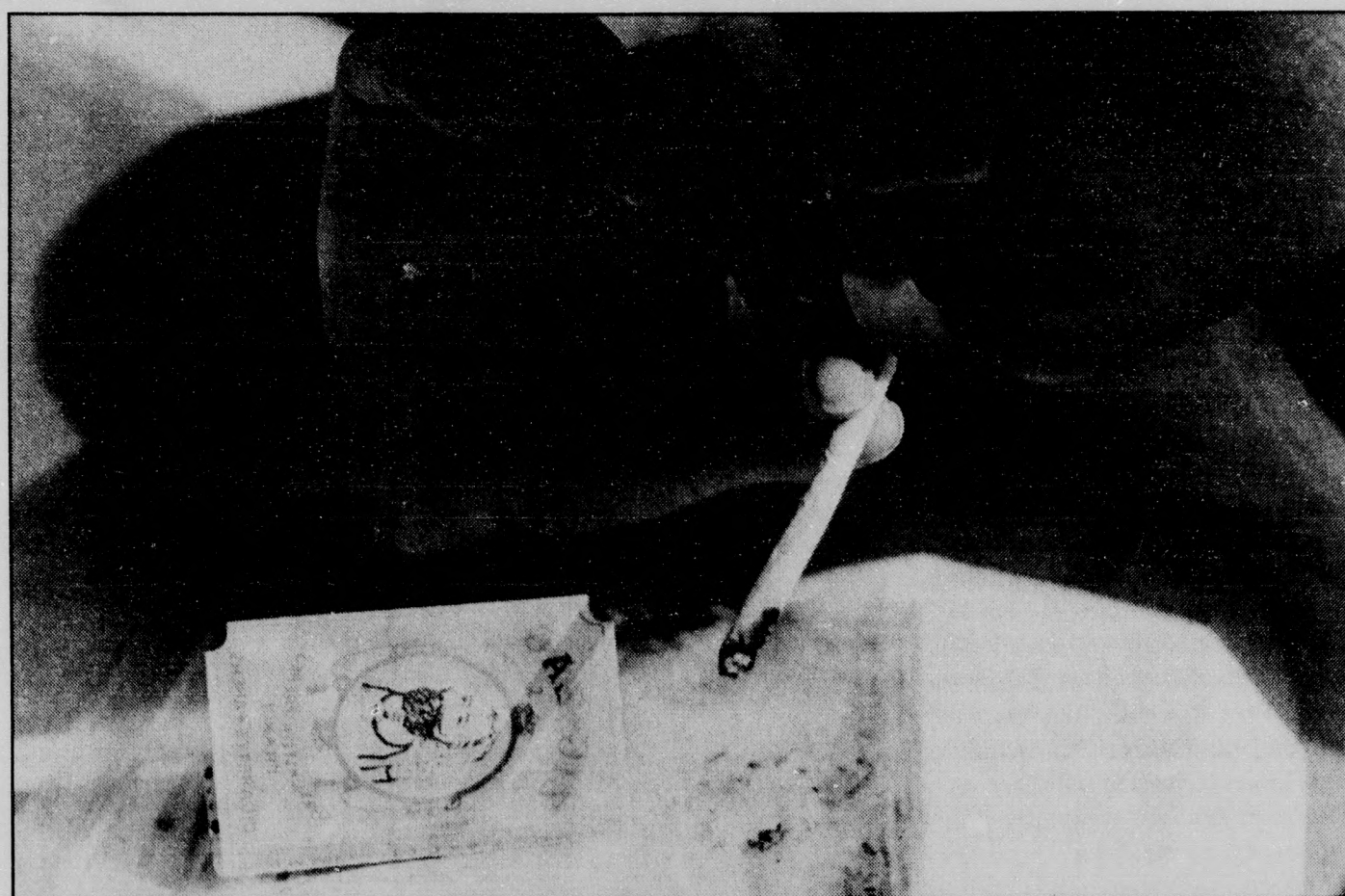


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ing the use of marijuana to sick people. Why not worry about the child molesters and rapists? What's the big deal?" said Griffith. "I guess it's easier to catch people who are dying."

Apparently the Federal government does see the legalization of medical marijuana as a big deal. The ruling by Judge Smith directly counters threats made by federal drug czar, Barry McCaffrey, stating that doctors who recom-

mend or prescribe marijuana could face criminal protection, revocation of their licences, and be denied involvement with the Medicare and Medicaid programs.

Local California opponents of Prop. 215, including the American Cancer Society, feel the stores as well as other marijuana vendors, including doctors, will use the new law as a clever cover for selling drugs to people who don't

have doctor's prescriptions or have obtained them illegally.

"There are always people who are going to abuse any law," said Griffith. "But if it benefits suffering people, it is worth it."

According to a 1997 Field poll taken of California voters, Griffith speaks on the behalf of many. An overwhelming 72 percent of people polled felt that the initiative is easy to use

as an excuse for the non-medical and recreational growth of marijuana. However, the voters still felt it was necessary to provide chronically or terminally ill people with marijuana despite the feared risk of abuse.

The fact that the American Cancer Society offers no support for the initiative greatly upsets people like Griffith. She chooses to smoke the all-natural marijuana instead of taking syn-

thetically manufactured pain relievers. Because of the prolonged use of oral medication constantly filtering through her digestive system, Griffith has had a kidney removed.

"Most pain pills leave me drowsy, some leave me hyper or constipated," said Griffith. "With marijuana, I have no side effects. It's like taking an all natural muscle relaxer."

The ruling by Judge Smith is a small step in the direction of making medical marijuana readily available to patients.

To date 34 states have enacted laws which recognize marijuana as having medical value. However, federal law supersedes state law so prosecution for users is eminent.

"The preposition is so vaguely written that it's hard to know what you can get in trouble for," said Griffith. "I can't find a doctor who will prescribe marijuana, even though he may agree I need it. There's nowhere for me to buy it legally so I buy it through a friend of a friend. They are selling to me, does that mean they are breaking the law?" Yes it does. And it will continue to be illegal until a federal bill is passed by Congress.





Tara Fleig

## You can love your cat you just shouldn't love your cat.

The Beatles said you can't buy it but that it's all we need. Shakespeare wrote hundreds of sonnets about it. It even has its own section at the video store. It's love.

Is love a feeling or a decision? Don't think, just answer.

A poll taken of SAC students revealed that most of us are blinded by our emotions. The first thing that came to most minds was that it is a feeling. A few said it was a decision and only one rejected the question saying it's both.

If you look at the traditional wedding vows the first one is a promise to love but how do you promise to feel? When you're married you can promise to be considerate but you cannot promise to be in love and to stay in love.

Some people may not love their spouse until well into their marriage and some may fall out of love at any time. Consider this, one of every two marriages ends in divorce; three out of four in California.

You can love a person for who they are and the things they do. But it's not something you choose to do ... but at the same time it is.

At some point in a relationship you make a decision to stay with that person and then truly fall in love with them. Or you don't and go. But either way it is a choice.

At first I thought love was a feeling. It's a great one. But now I have to say that it is both. At no time should you feel anything just because somebody tells you that you should.

Like Nat King Cole said:  
Love is a many splendor thing.

etc...



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The Tony Award winning musical choreographed and directed by Sheryl Donchey, restages Micheal Bennett's original choreography for "ONE." Micheal Bennett originally conceived, directed, and choreographed *A Chorus Line*.

# One Singular Sensation

## A CHORUS LINE: Dancing is a metaphor for life's tragedies and triumphs.

By Elvira Weigold  
el Don Style Editor

Santa Ana College is finally presenting *A Chorus Line*, a 22-year-old musical that hasn't been attempted because the theatre department lacked enough seasoned performers who could sing, dance, and act.

The 32 cast members also include alumnus to community members, said Sheryl Donchey, Santa Ana College instructor, director and choreographer, with more than 60 credits to her name.

A musical about love, aspiration, and ultimate rejection, *A Chorus Line* depicts the irony and struggle that chorus line dancers endure for their love of performing. Not only do they push themselves beyond the limits physically, but they vie for parts that will eventually strip them of their identities.

"Dancing is a passion; a need to express a God-given talent that, if you don't nurture, dies," Donchey explained.

The play, sans lead actors, takes place at a final call-back audition where two cuts determine the eventual chorus line. And from the line, a few are selected for speaking parts.

*A Chorus Line* gives the audience small vignettes of each performer's life and personality. Some lives, as expected, are more tragic than others but real enough to cause sympathy. And as always, some personalities are more appealing than others.



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Aristotle Ibasco, front and Justin Dufour, back.

The Tony Award winning musical runs the gamut of characters, from the slutty Sheila, (Melisa Halfmann), who will do anything for a part, to Paul the Puerto Rican homosexual (Peter Becket), who wants nothing more than

acceptance. Although each person's reason for dancing and their journey to that audition is distinctly different, their passion and dedication for dance is indistinguishable.

Zach, the director, (John DeMita), spends much of the

play evaluating the candidates from the audience's perspective. DeMita is a faculty member who has taught at SAC for more than 10 years.

Change, a major theme in the story surfaces at the end. "What will you do when you can't dance anymore?" Zach asks the performers, "What will you do, when you can no longer do what you love?"

Donchey began her acting career at age 13 and has a special affinity for the show. "I was a dancer. And that's the story of my life," she said.

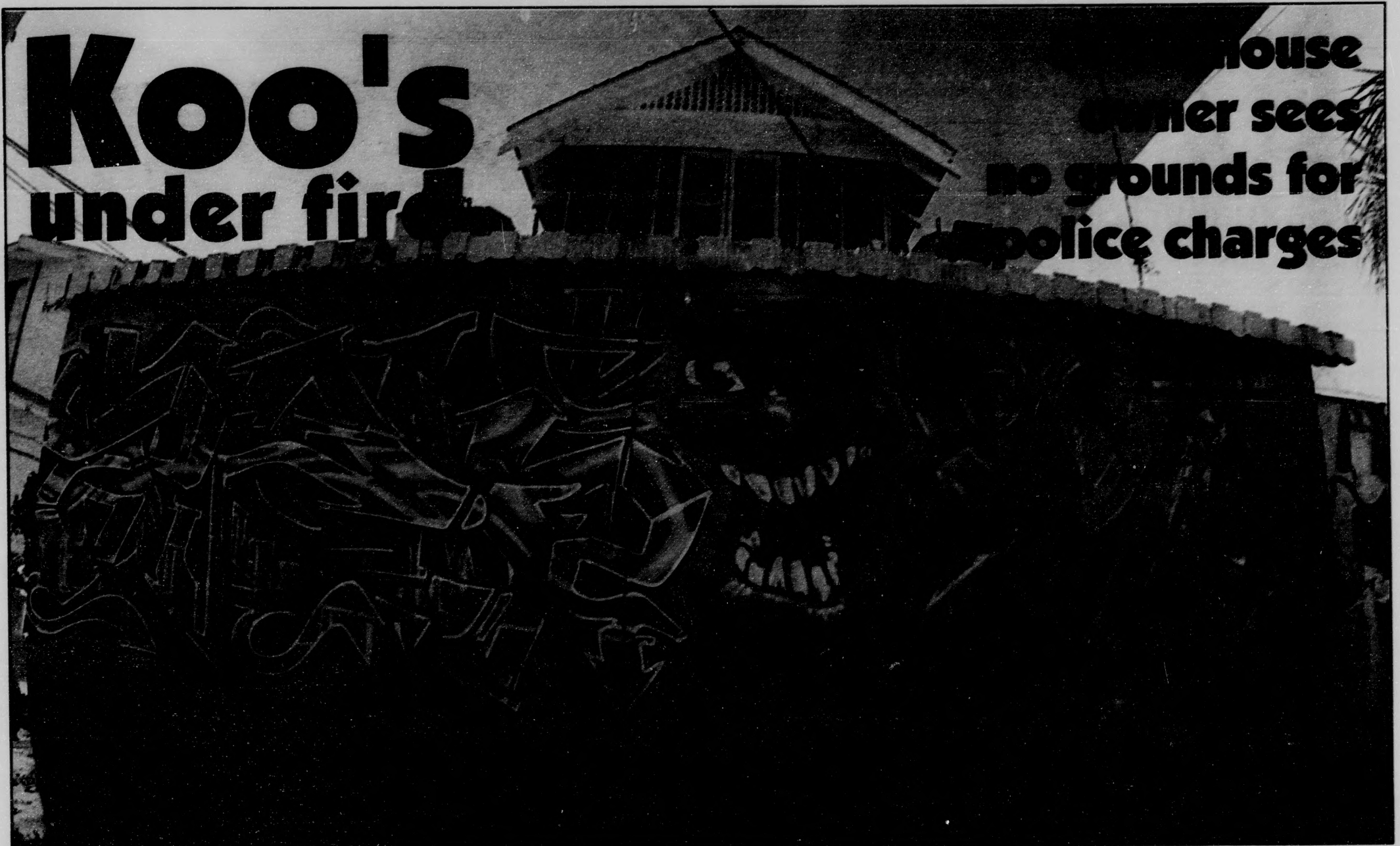
The performance is accompanied by a live orchestra and runs a little over two hours without an intermission. The 15-piece ensemble is directed by Roby Blaney, who served as the Band Leader in SAC's 1997 production of *The Who's Tommy*.

Notable performances are delivered by Becket, playing Paul, who eventually realizes that his father does love him. Halfmann excels playing Sheila, the vixen, whose distant father was the impetus of her man-pleasing need.

Valerie Lyn Manlongat, plays Connie, a Puerto Rican from the Bronx with low self-esteem and a resonant voice. Shannon Page plays Cassie, Zach's ex-girlfriend. She physically fits the character, but her delivery doesn't portray a desperate dancer trying to start over.

Catch *A Chorus Line*, it's worth the time and money. It runs now through Nov. 2. For ticket info and times call (714) 564-5661.





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The Graffiti Wall at Koo's Art Cafe has been open to local artists for two years. The wall has drawn some complaints from neighboring businesses.

**Activism:** By Tara Fleig  
el Don Style Editor

Small business owner Dennis Lluay fights to keep open his popular center for artistic expression.

Graffiti murals on the walls, loud bands playing to an all ages crowd, poetry readings, political activism, coffee, and just plain fun. Koo's Art Cafe is on the brink of extinction because it attracts the wrong crowd: people that think for themselves.

This special little coffee house opened three years ago and has done a good job of stirring up a lot of controversy. Dennis Lluay, 24, is the only remaining owner Koo's.

The other two founders went off to pursue safer more stable careers.

Lluay and his staff of volunteers provide a place for people to go and express themselves freely. They feature an open mic night every Wednesday night and have live entertainment

every weekend.

Life at Koo's isn't all lattes and cream. Ever since they opened Lluay has had many problems with the city trying to shut him down.

"Nobody likes an all ages, uncensored, free to perform self expression place," Lluay said.



Fines for graffiti vary depending on your record and how much damage is done.

Many of the neighbors are opposed to the fact that Lluay lets people into his backyard to graffiti the walls surrounding Koo's.

"It's a form of self expression," Lluay said. "We're not hurting anybody."

Koo's has had more than just graffiti problems. In December '96 the vice squad shut down a charity toy drive concert because Lluay was charging a voluntary donation at the door without a permit. Lluay tried to explain that the donation was not mandatory. But because there was no sign posted, the vice squad shut the 13 band concert down early at 9:15 pm.

The toy drive case went to trial early this month and it only took Lluay and his volunteer lawyer two hours to prove that the vice squad was out of line. Lluay's lawyer, Thomas

Brill, is now trying to work with the Santa Ana City Council to create a new kind of conditional permit for establishments that provide entertainment but do not serve alcohol.

"Dennis has a lot of the city council on his side," Brill said. "The people who are against it have this blind fear. They think that he's running a den of evil."

If it's not a cover charge that's getting them into trouble, it's being shut down because their water was shut off on purpose, or prank calls made to the police department complaining about noise. Contrary to popular belief Lluay is not a slacker, intentionally trying to drive down the neighborhood image. He's working to build its image.

Lluay's main concern is

keeping the premises clean after an event. Very often you will find the volunteers at Koo's staying up until two in the morning cleaning up the trash so the neighbors don't complain.

"My staff is really great. They don't have to stay but they don't want us to be shut down. If we go, there will be no place for the kids to hang out," Lluay said.

Koo's does have the support of the mayor, its customers and Tom Lutz, a city council member who goes out of his way to help Lluay whenever he needs it.

But running a business isn't cheap. If Lluay doesn't ask for donations he cannot afford to keep Koo's going.

"I'm very direct and honest. I tell them that it's strictly a voluntary donation. It's not worth the money to beg," Lluay

said. "People pay me what they can. But if they can't pay they're still welcome."

Besides being a controversial coffee house, Koo's is also a community outreach program. They host events from toy drives to feeding the homeless. Just last month they got full sponsorship to proceed with a new project. The Teen Well Being program is going to give inner city kids what they don't get from public schools. They plan to teach kids how to quiet the mind through different types meditation. They want them to get a sense of themselves.

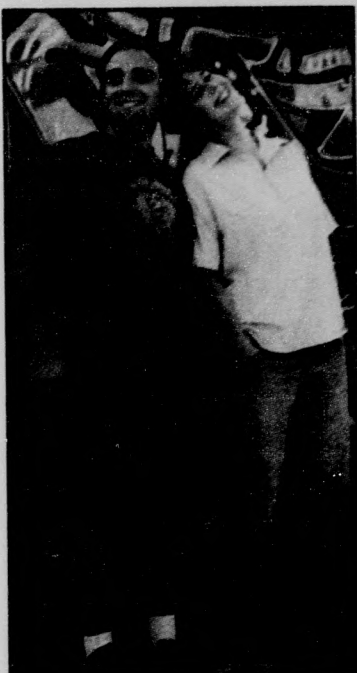
The programs first project is to build an earth dome in Koo's backyard. It will be a structure that is made completely from environmental products. It's going to be a place that these kids can go to learn about nutrition and to find their self motivation through any means of art.

"It's not your typical self esteem program. It's very unconventional and controversial," said Shelly Ervin, a program board member.

They plan to have the program fully running by next spring and are looking for volunteers. If you'd like to help just go to Koo's and talk to Dennis.

Koo's is a great place to go and just be. They've held over 500 events and Lluay plans to keep on fighting to stay open.

If not for Koo's Cafe where would Save Ferris have played their first show? Like the sign on the outside of the little house says, it's an art culture.



Koo's owner Dennis Lluay and volunteer Christina Peterson

Koo's Art Cafe is located at 1505 N. Main St., Santa Ana. Call (714) 648-0937 for event listings.



# Silent Epidemic

Sexually Transmitted Diseases strike 4 million people each year

By Elvira Weigold  
el Don Style Editor

I tried focusing on the white ceiling. Relaxing, breathing. I couldn't. I was tense, nervous and scared. A biopsy was needed and the thought of having chunks of flesh cut out of my cervix without anesthesia frightened me.

"Relax and breathe," said the doctor. "It'll be over before you know it."

The tears welled up in my eyes. My lashes cradled them trying to make me look brave, but soon they gave way, and the tears streamed down my temples.

"It's just going to be three quick pinches; it'll hurt, but it'll be over fast," he said.

They were more than pinches. I was expecting the same sensation a shot produces. It felt like when I bite the inside of my mouth and a chunk of flesh tears, only it was on my cervix. It was 10 times worse than any menstrual cramp I ever experienced. I let out a guttural moan, and squeezed the nurses hand as hard as I could. The tears never stopped.

"I can't get through two more," I thought. "Please, it hurts." The farthest thing from my mind was a sexually transmitted disease.

I had Human Papilloma virus commonly known as genital warts.

According to the American Social Health Association, 19 percent of high school seniors say they've had sexual intercourse with four or more partners; and about half of them used condoms during their last encounter. About 25 percent of sexually active teenagers become infected with a Sexually Transmitted Disease each year.

The painful experience began with a friendly visit to the doctor for my annual pap smear. "So, how's it look, doc," I inquired. Everything looked fine as far as his naked eye could see. He pulled out a compact mirror and showed me.

"Very healthy, but we just never know until the results come back," he said.

He was right. I looked at the reflection, it looked perfectly healthy. My cervix was pale pink and looked like a flawless doughnut, with a tiny hole in the middle.

At the time, I didn't know I had an STD. The doctor had diagnosed me with cervical dysplasia, a condition that turns healthy cells, abnormal leads to sterility and cervical cancer.

Today, one of the many STD's teenagers are contracting, is

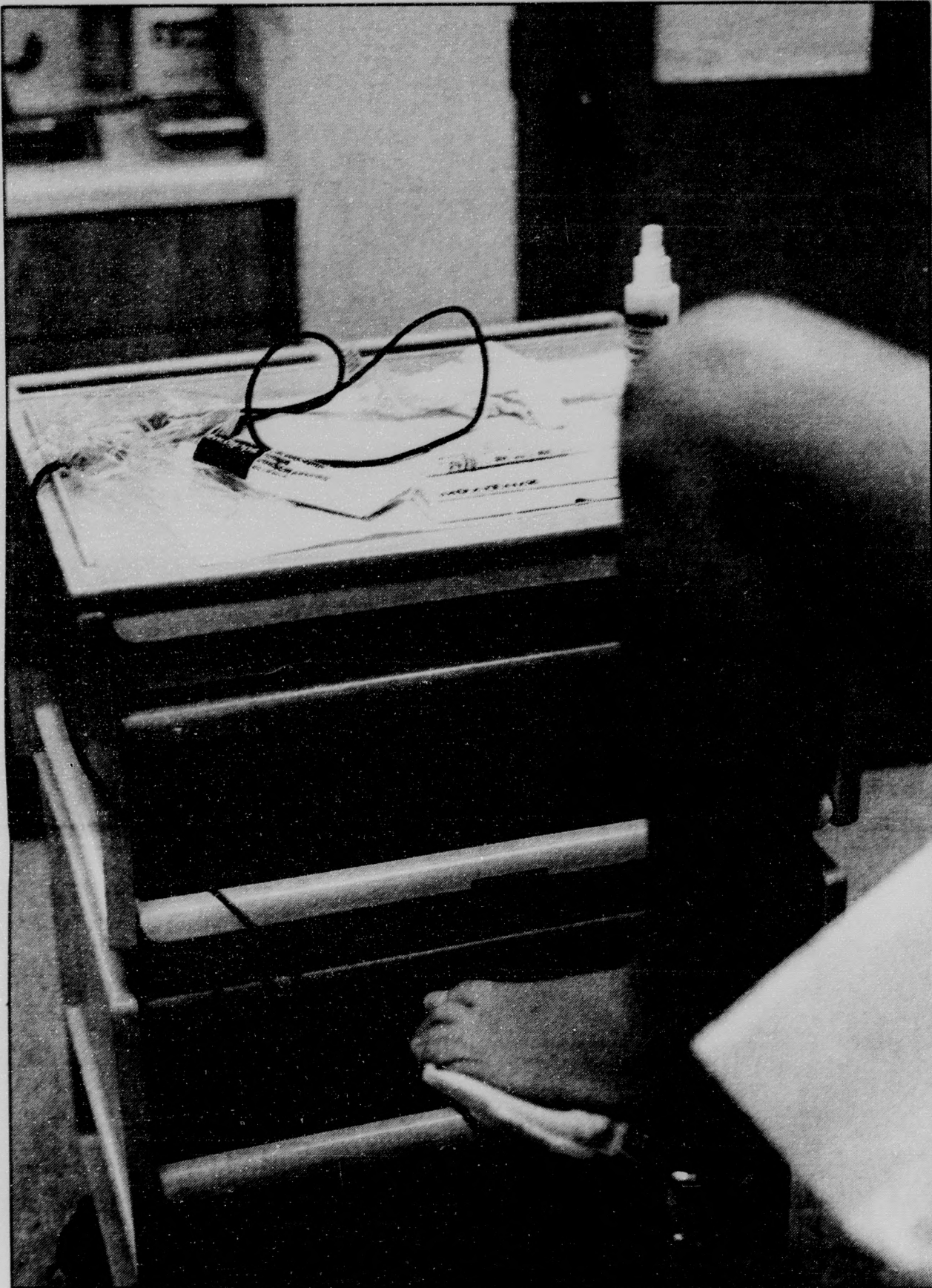


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Chlamydia, a silent epidemic among college students in their early 20's.

The Centers for Disease Control estimates that as

many as 3.5 million cases of Chlamydia are undiagnosed and untreated each year.

In women, STD's are difficult to detect not only because one can not easily look inside the vagina, but many don't experience symptoms.

Chlamydia is caused by a bacteria called trachomatis that can spread during vaginal, oral, or rectal sex. Although easily treated with antibiotics, it can be found in the throat, rectum, vagina, and in the male's urethra. Like other venereal diseases, it can be carried in semen, vaginal fluids, and blood.

Women under age 24 are the

**"I was tense, nervous and scared.  
A biopsy was needed and the thought of  
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hardest hit. The Merck Manual, a medical handbook, states that symptoms include vaginal discharge, painful urination, pelvic pain, pain during sexual intercourse, and Pelvic Inflammatory Disease.

PID can cause sterility, if untreated. It produces scarring in the fallopian tubes that stops the eggs from passing into the uterus. This is called an ectopic or tubal pregnancy, a life threatening pregnancy that almost never produces a baby.

At the Health Care Agency of Orange County, Chlamydia cases have been so severe, women walked in doubled over in pain,

the symptoms are too painful to avoid treatment, it can spread to the testicles and prostate gland causing sterility.

For men, symptoms of urethritis occur within seven to 28 days. Some of these include redness, painful urination, and a clear to cloudy discharge of mucus and pus. This discharge is most evident in the mornings when the lips of the urethra are stuck together with dried secretion.

"Men don't even know about Chlamydia in most cases," said Arlene Warco of the Health and Wellness Center, because as soon as the symptoms start, men get the antibiotic without necessarily

being tested. "In all the years I've been here, I've never seen a male whose urethritis has been correlated with Chlamydia," added Warco.

I didn't suffer from any symptoms. I wasn't in any pain. In fact I'd never heard of HPV. Had I not had my annual exam, the outcome could have been worse.

Two years ago, the student Health and Wellness Center automatically included a Chlamydia screening in every pap smear. "We began testing when the literature showed that this was on the rise among college age women," said Warco.

The student health center includes a Chlamydia screening in their pap smear for \$23. A test for Chlamydia only, costs \$10 and the results are known by the end of the day.

At the county health agency, testing is free and includes screenings for Chlamydia, Gonorrhea, and Syphilis. Patients get their results a week from the day they were tested. The agency recommends all patients tell their partners in the last three months that they may have contracted an STD, said Saiz-Martinez.

Abstinence, is of course the only guarantee against Chlamydia, but always using a condom reduces the chances significantly. It's imperative that both partners are treated, otherwise the infection is passed back and forth.

By the time my cervix was back to its pink donut shape, I had seen three doctors and had three biopsies taken.

No matter what horrors the treatment included, nothing could be as painful as the biopsies, anesthesia made all the possibilities bearable.

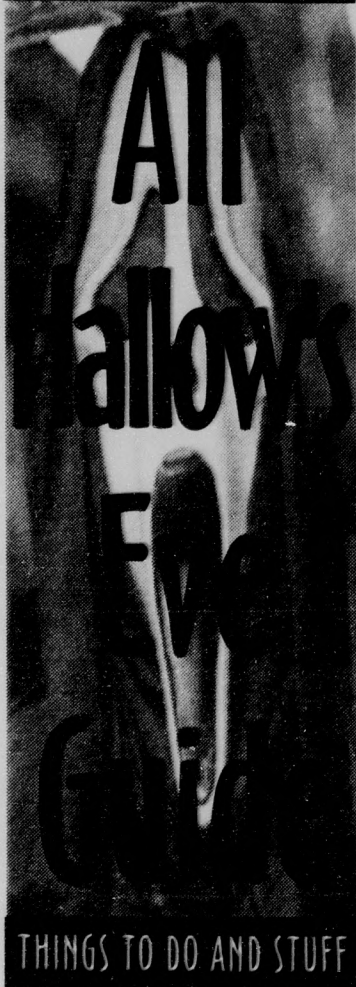
I was becoming too familiar with the patterns and crevices in the ceiling tiles. The doctor slid the speculum in; I felt the pinch the first doctor had originally described. The anesthesia had worked, I only felt a cold sensation through my insides as the cryotherapy began to freeze my cervix.

The treatment worked, and as the freezer burn thawed, my body expelled the warts. I visited the doctor twice in the next six months with pap smears returning to normal. Six months later, I had another follow up exam, but this time my pap smear results were abnormal.

I couldn't say anything, the lump in my throat was too big to swallow. The endless tears dripped off my face staining my dark blue shirt. The doctor handed me a box of tissue and said the process would have to start all over again.



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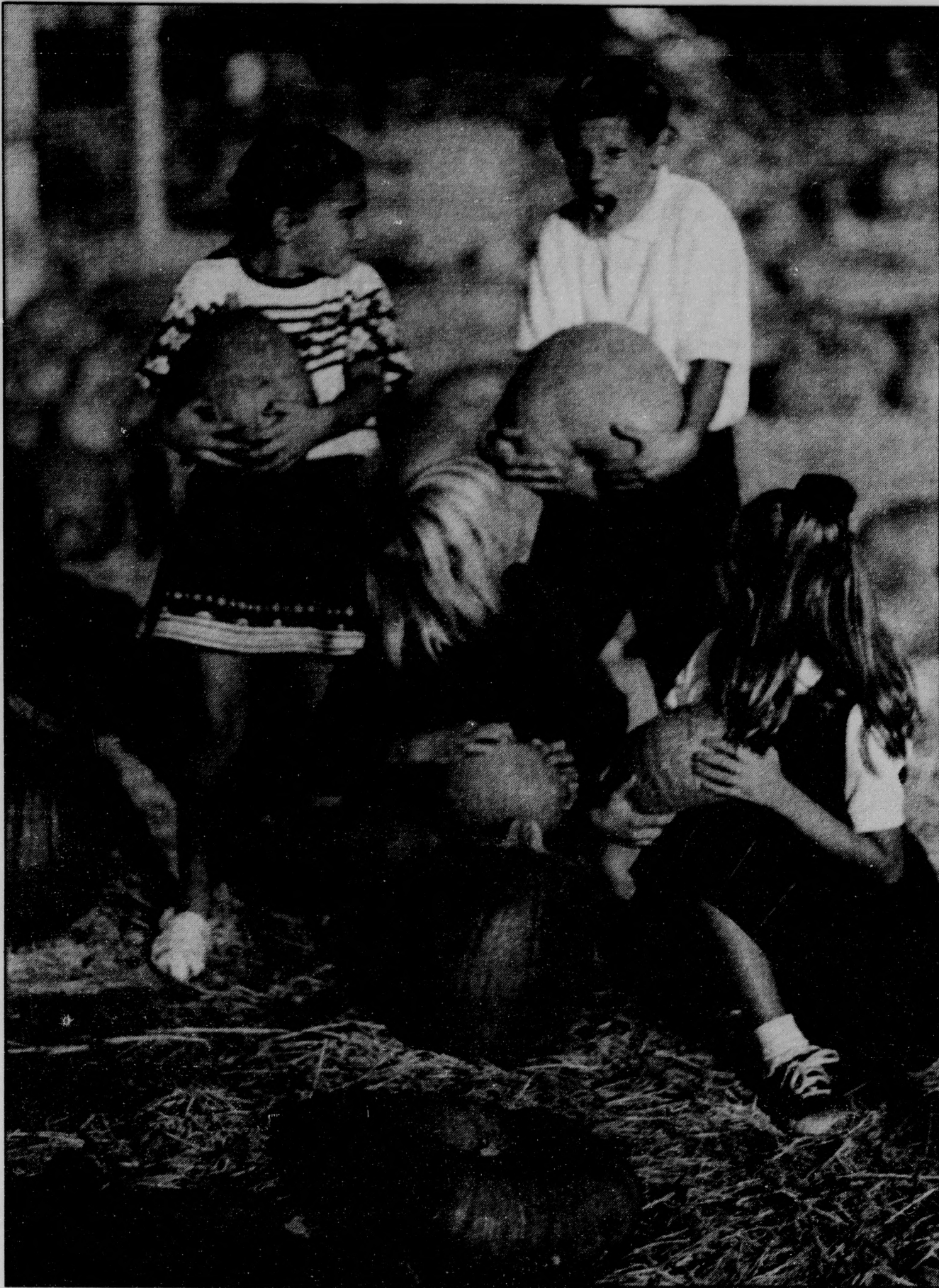
So it's Halloween and you haven't been invited to worship Samhain in Black Star Canyon. None of your Druid friends are returning your phone calls because you don't own any cats. And you don't know anybody in Marilyn Manson.

What's a person to do?

You could take some Valium and pull the covers over your head until All Saints Day. But that wouldn't be any fun.

All you need, is to stop reading this and read the rest of the page.

-Chris Ceballos



Erin, Kimberly and Rachel watch their brother Ryan do his best Great Pumpkin impersonation at the pumpkin patch on Chapman Ave, just east of Santiago Canyon College in Orange.

Don Dixon / el Don

-Elvira Weigold

## Horror Flicks

It's OK if you don't have enough cash to rent a costume and go socialize. You wouldn't want to go to Knott's Halloween Haunt anyway; it's going to rain. It always rains. So hit the video store instead. We know you haven't seen all of these highly recommended flicks.

### Scary Movies

*The Shining, Carrie, The Omen, Halloween, Halloween 2, Cujo, The Thing 1982, Jaw, Jacob's Ladder, Scream, Hellraiser, Seven, It, Poltergeist, The Dead Zone, Alien, The Amityville Horror, Friday the 13th, The Exorcist, Child's Play.*

### Classic Movies

*Night of the Living Dead 1968, The Birds, Psycho, Dracula 1931, Frankenstein 1931, The Phantom of the Opera, Freaks 1932, The Creature from the Black Lagoon, The Mummy 1932, Nosferatu, King Kong 1933, The Wolfman 1941, The Fly 1958, Scanners, An American Werewolf in London*

### Campy Movies

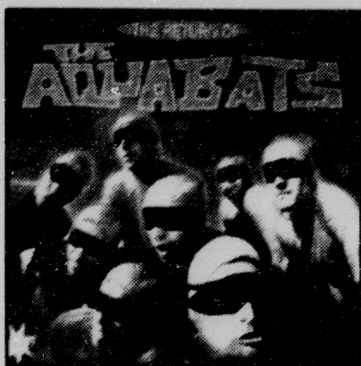
*Evil Dead, Evil Dead 2, Army of Darkness, Dawn of the Dead, Texas Chainsaw Massacre, Phantasm, Creepshow, Fright Night, Basket Case, Reanimator*

### Disturbing Movies

*Eraserhead, Blue Velvet, Faces of Death, Blood Sucking Freaks, I Spit on Your Grave*

### Movies for Kids

*Abbott and Costello Meet Frankenstein, Frankenstein, It's the Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown, The Nightmare Before Christmas, The Legend of Sleepy Hollow*



## Concerts

Get in gear early. Dress up with the Aquabats and celebrate their newest release *The Fury of the Aquabats*, out next Tuesday, when they play for free at the Virgin Megastore on Thurs., Oct. 30 at 6 p.m.

Russell Scott and His Red Hots, the Ziggens at Linda's Doll Hut in Anaheim on Halloween. \$15 in advance includes dinner and four drinks. Dinner is served until 10 p.m. Costume contest with prizes.

Voodoo Glow Skulls, Shelter Union 13, Welt, Cooley Market at UC Riverside's The Barn. \$10. Show starts at 7 p.m.

Techno freaks should hit the Glass House in Pomona for a KMFDM Halloween.

## Wigs are Big

Yes you could buy the *Scream* mask and look like every other last minute trick or treater. But with your own clothes and a good wig you can be the hit of the party.

♦ Marv Albert. Short, black, obvious toupee, a blue sports coat, ugly tie. Walk around and periodically shout, "Yes!"

♦ Princess Diana. Short, blond mop. Tierra. Anything pink. Carry a seat belt around and ask people how to use it.

♦ Elton John. Bowl cut wig. Any goofy glasses. Any ugly suit, pastel colors are best. Walk around and cry sporadically.

♦ Don King. Gravity boots and hair spray. Black suit. A wad of fake cash. Carry around a wax ear and chew on it. Just laugh at people when they ask you what you're doing and count your fake money.

♦ Pippy Longstocking. Long hair with bangs. A couple of coat hangers. Hair spray. Yarn. Mismatching clothes. Freckles. Be annoying. Be happy.



## How to Carve a Really Cool Jack O' Lantern

The best way to get into the Halloween spirit is to carve out a face in a disemboweled orange gourd, stick a blazing candle in it and leave it out on your porch to rot. It's looks cool. And if you can keep from cutting off a few fingers in the process ... well then, bonus!

**Go get a pumpkin.** You can pick one up at the corner supermarket for under \$5. But if you've seen *It's the Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown*, you understand the importance of going to a sincere pumpkin patch.

They do exist. There's one on Chapman Ave., just east of Santiago Canyon College in Orange. Do you see the kids up in that picture? Do you see the fun they're having?

OK, you've got an orange gourd. **Practice drawing faces.** Once you start carving there's no turning back.

**Disembowel the pumpkin.** What you need: a spoon, a bowl, lots of newspaper and a knife. Knives are sharp so make sure you have adult supervision.

**Brain it.** Cut a hole in the top,

around the stem at an angle so that the top can be replaced. Be creative, this is Jack's hat.

**Get scooping.** Unless your a wimp who needs a spoon, use your hands. It's squishy. You can save the seeds and roast them in the oven 'cause they're really good if you lightly salt them.

**Get drawing.** Lightly sketch a face on the pumpkin with a pencil. Ink only the area you intend to cut out.

**Get cutting.** Go slow and use a small paring knife.

**Bravo! You've carved a masterpiece into an orange gourd.**

**Light it up.** You can use a pumpkin light or a small votive candle. If you use a pumpkin light it's battery operated and it won't burn your gourd. It's also wimpy. You probably got your pumpkin at Vons. If you use a candle make sure you carve a small hole for it to sit in.

After all, you wouldn't want your house to catch fire when the little tricksters throw it against your front door because you left out a bowl of candy that the first treaters cleaned out.



# Dancing with the masters



The wicked stepsisters harass Cinderella in the Lyon Opera Ballet Company's unique version of a classic fairy tale *Cendrillon*. Choreography conceived by Maguy Marin. The company made its United States debut at the City Center in New York City.

Photo by Gerard Amsellem

## Cendrillon

**Dance:** Contemporary French Ballet troupe will teach first of three master classes at SAC this year.

By Theresa Hudzinski  
el Don Editor in Chief

Every dancer's dream is to be taught by a master, someone who performs professionally with a company that is regarded as a tremendous asset to the world of dance. These professionals put the dancer in touch with the innovators of their particular form of dance.

For Santa Ana College's Department of Dance, their wishes have been granted by their fairy godmother.

Tuesday, Oct. 28 the French Lyon Opera Ballet Company will kick off the first of three master's classes this year.

The company originated in 1969 under the direction of Louis Erlo. But in 1984 Erlo and Ms. Francoise Adret revamped the company to emphasize a more contemporary choreography. Now most of the choreography is done by Maguy Marin.

And contemporary is what made them famous. In 1987, the company made its United States Debut in New York City with *Cendrillon*, a very modern Cinderella story. The corps used eerie doll like masks during the entire performance.

Being one of France's most traveled ballet troupes, the company has crossed the United States three times. They also have commissioned many international ballets.

In 1990, they commissioned a collaborative work of American choreographers, Lucinda Childs, Ralph Lemon and Karole Armitage.

*Dancing Zappa* is a three part work set to the music of



Photo by Gerard Amsellem

**LOB's Cinderella pines away for a better life.**

the late Frank Zappa, and it opened at the 1990 Lyon Biennale de la Danse held in France.

The Lyon Opera was restored in 1993, just in time for the opening of Marin's avant-garde reinterpretation of *Coppelia*.

Many of the recent works have been set to music by American composers and have used sets designed by American artists, such as *An American Evening*. The trio of dances were performed in the Theatre de la Ville.

In 1995, the company participated in the United Nation's 50th Anniversary Celebration in San Francisco.

Their last performance in the United States was at the 1996 International Festival at Lincoln Center in New York City. The company was one of three asked to perform.

Bringing the masters to the students is something SAC takes pride in. "We have a long tradition of guest artists. Students can see what is on the outside, and the guest artist can see what our program is all about," said SAC Dance Professor Sylvia Turner.

"It broadens the students perspective of the professional world."

The goal of the department is to get their students into the dance world.

"After SAC, a lot of the students attend places like UCI, CSULB, Chapman, and California Institute of the Arts. A lot of our students go on to work at Disneyland, on cruise ships, commercials and music videos. But most go on to open private studios to teach," said Turner.

Students that are enrolled in the Intermediate Ballet class will not only have the opportunity to have a class taught by the corps but they will be taught portions of their pieces that the company has created.

"This opportunity was brought to us by partnering with the Orange County Performing Arts Center's educational outreach program," said Turner. "The company has no performances in Orange County."

"There are currently 22 students enrolled in the class, and they are all really excited about the first master class of the year," said Turner.

After the class, the company will be performing for in Los Angeles for two nights only. On Friday, Oct. 31 and Saturday, Nov. 1, the Lyon Opera Ballet Company will be at the Wiltern Theatre in Los Angeles with three new pieces, *Groosland*, *Green and Blue* and *Central Figure*.





# Resurrecting a Role

**W**atergate, chunky jewelry, wife swapping, polyester, knee-highs, water beds, G.I. Joe and the gasoline crisis. Welcome to the early 1970s and the milieu of Ang Lee's acclaimed new film, "The Ice Storm."

"It was such an idealistic, passionate time," recalls Sigourney Weaver as she sits for an interview at a Manhattan hotel.

"I was at school in California, at Stanford, which was a very politicized school. It's where they invented Napalm and were developing biological warfare. So I remember this huge polarity between my generation and the people in charge, between me and my parents," Weaver says.

"You couldn't even mention politics at the dinner table or everybody would start throwing things at each other," she recalls.

"I think you're so caught up in what your group is doing at a given time, and I certainly never gave thought to what a suburban

## Other films with Weaver

- ◆ Alien
- ◆ The Year of Living Dangerously
- ◆ Ghostbusters
- ◆ Gorillas in the Mist
- ◆ Dave

housewife must feel seeing that the whole world was changing, opening up and celebrating sex and love; and all the while she's driving the station wagon to get groceries and having missed women's lib, too. It was interesting to go back now and play that opposite side of what was going on in my life in the 1970s."

And play that opposite side Weaver does in "Ice Storm," which casts her as Janey, a bored New Canaan, Conn., housewife who cheats on her husband and doesn't seem too interested in her kids. Janey sleeps with Ben (Kevin Kline), whose wife senses trouble in paradise and

## Weaver revives 'Alien's' Ripley after playing an adulterous '70s housewife in 'The Ice Storm'



Photos courtesy of Twentieth Century Fox

**Sigourney Weaver stars as a cloned Ripley and Winona Ryder stars as an android in the latest sci-fi sequel, Alien Resurrection.**

whose son and daughter, have their own sexual hang-ups.

"I loved the script," Weaver says. "I'd never done Chekhov, except at school, and this for me was the chance to do it in New Canaan. The chance to work with Ang, whose films I'd seen and admired, was appealing."

The main selling point was Lee, the Taiwan-born director best known for "Sense and Sensibility." "He's such a special human being," enthuses Weaver. "Ang says very little, but sees everything. The thing I noticed working with him is that a Western director might have pigeonholed us all a little bit. He loved all the characters, seemed to find

## NOW SHOWING

**The Ice Storm**  
Starring: Sigourney Weaver, Kevin Klein, Jeremy Sheridan  
Directed by Ang Lee  
(Sense and Sensibilities)  
Rated: R  
Playing at Edwards South Coast Village, Santa Ana  
**OPENING NOV. 28**  
**Alien: Resurrection**  
Starring: Weaver, Winona Ryder  
Directed by Jean-Pierre Jeunet  
(City of the Lost Children)

something of himself in all the characters.

"Ang and I would talk about Janey, and he said she was blowing up her life the way her son was blowing up his toy airplanes. Ang liked Janey, admired her and felt she was the least hypocriti-

cal of all these people. That benevolent way of directing is very unusual. He's quiet and doesn't waste energy. He's just this oasis of real thought and real emotion, someone you trust."

But Weaver did. She went from "Ice Storm" and Lee to "Alien: Resurrection" and Jean-Pierre Jeunet, the French director of "City of Lost Children."

Shooting a fourth film in the "Alien" series had long appeared unlikely, as Weaver's character, Ripley, died at the end of the less than well-received "Alien 3." Thanks to a plot involving cloning and Winona Ryder, Ripley returns next month.

"I thought I'd done this noble

thing, freeing the series from the burden of Ripley waking again and going, 'blah, blah, blah.'" Weaver says, laughing. "(Killing off Ripley) was a difficult decision to make, but I felt it would make the movie better. We didn't have that many great story elements going for 'Alien 3.' I thought if I died it would help the movie."

"So, for 'Resurrection,' it was hard to convince me that they were serious. And they were. In fact, they were very passionate about making this not just 'Alien 4,' but an 'Alien' as good as the first one. They kept talking about 'Alien' and how they wanted to get it back to that kind of spookiness and elegance. Then they hired this great director, Jean-Pierre, instead of hiring one of these people who could just get the job done."

Weaver also said she was attracted by the script, which contained plenty of plot twists for her character Ripley. "And there was also the chance to work with Winona. It became impossible to say 'No.'"

At 48, there's no stopping the actress. She turns up as the nasty stepmother in the straight-to-video release, "Snow White: A Tale of Terror," arriving in stores in late November, and hopes to soon begin shooting "Dear Rosie," a film about a struggling novelist who accidentally becomes a best-selling diet guru.

"I didn't think that in my mid-40s I'd be working quite as much as I am," she says. "But, since I turned 40, the roles I've been offered make me think that maybe Hollywood is finally figuring out what to do with me. I've been offered the best roles of my career because I'm no longer in that girlfriend category. I'd like to do more love stories, but I certainly have no complaints."

-College Press Service



## OPINION

# Psychic friend or telephony?

By Steve Ball  
el Don Views Editor

If you watch television you must have seen the infomercials featuring "noted psychics" like Kenny, "the psychic to the stars" and Dionne Warwick and her "psychic friends network." They offer advice on things like financial and career decisions, relationships and winning lottery numbers.

Most of these programs feature testimonials from "satisfied clients," people who were confused about some major life decision until one of these telephone soothsayers advised them. Some claim these psychics have even "saved their lives."

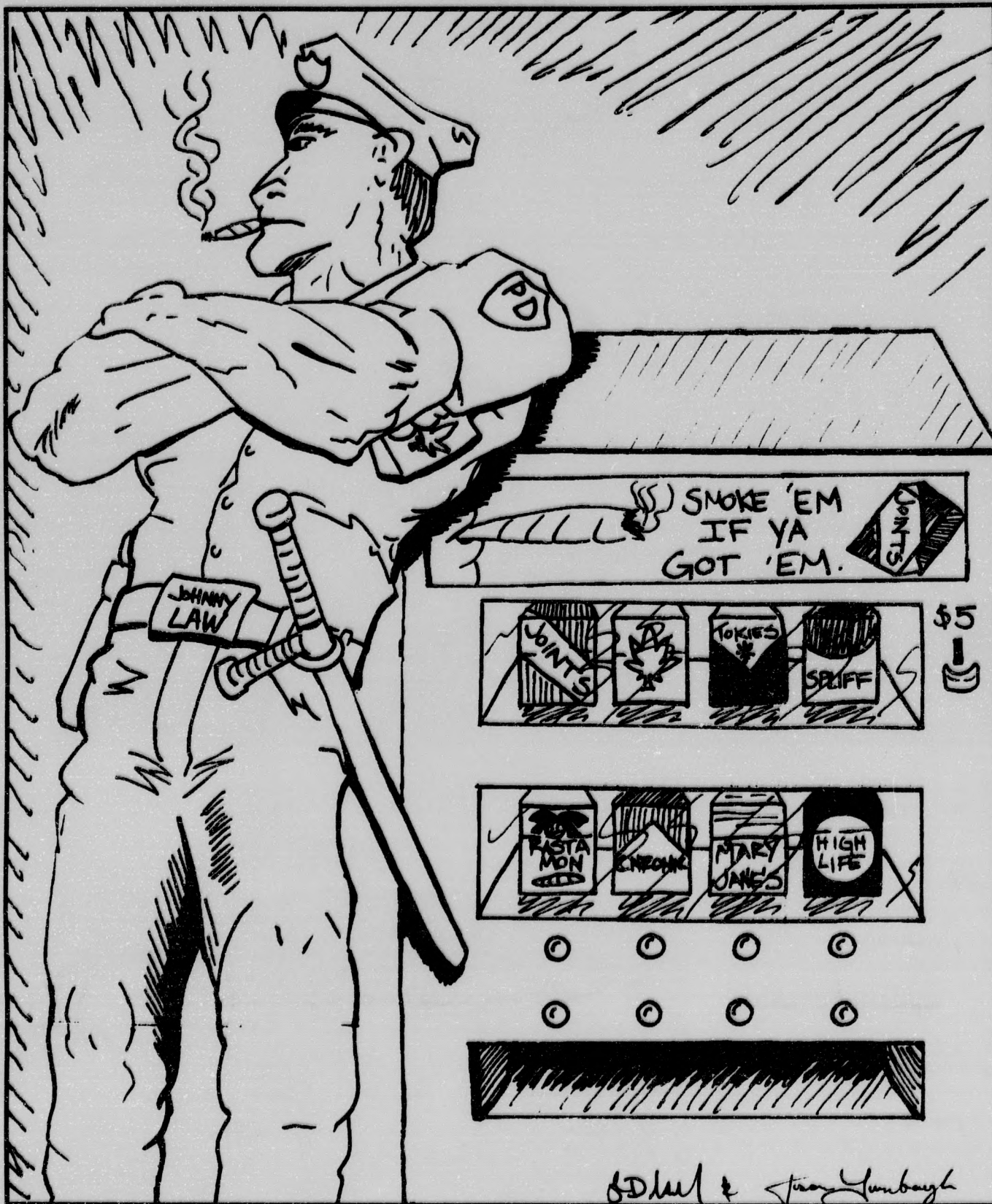
Oh sure, these spots always include the disclaimer - for entertainment purposes only - usually in the same small print as the rates for these services. The charges range from \$2.99 to \$4.99 a minute, which works out to \$179.40 and \$299.40 an hour, rates that would make a psychiatrist or a lawyer wonder why they had wasted their time going to school.

Getting back to the disclaimer, what type of person is "entertained" by calling up a complete stranger for advice on matters that could have a profound effect on their life? Do they tell the jilted lover that it won't work, because my psychic buddy told me so? Or, do they tell a prospective employer that they know they are making the right career choice, because their fortune teller said so. Unless they're applying for a job with one of these psychics this probably is a bad idea.

How do they find psychics to answer the phones? Do they need to interview applicants? I imagine the conversation might go something like this: APPLICANT: "Do you know why I'm here?" INTERVIEWER: "Yes, I knew before you got here, you're hired" APPLICANT: "Yes, I knew that before I left the house." If they were actually psychic an interview wouldn't be necessary. They would just come in and sit down and go to work. The other would be expecting them.

I'm not saying that every person who claims to have psychic powers is a joke. There are cases where crimes have been solved, or missing persons have been located with their help. Although I don't know if Kenny or Dionne has ever solved a crime or found a lost child.

There are those who think we all have some degree of untapped psychic power. I believe that's true. In fact, I have a prediction for people who call these psychics ... I see a big phone bill in their future.



## STAFF EDITORIAL

# Losing the war on drugs

For years, politicians have been telling us that we are waging a "war on drugs." It's time that someone told them we have lost the war. Especially, when it comes to marijuana.

A recent U.S. Department of Justice survey of high-school students confirms this. The survey shows that marijuana use has doubled for 10th graders since 1992. And 45 percent of high-school seniors admit to using pot. These are the same students that have been exposed to programs like "Red Ribbon Week" since they were in kindergarten. The statistics prove, when it comes to pot, these programs are failures.

Another survey conducted by the National Institute on Drug Addiction reported that 10 million Americans smoke marijuana on a regular basis. We can either accept the fact that almost half of our youth and a large segment of otherwise law abiding citizens are criminals, or we can change the laws. Considering the

crowded conditions of our jails and the backlog of cases choking our court system, it is only a matter of time before we will have no choice. The prisons can only hold so many criminals.

The controversy over the medical use of marijuana is even more perplexing. On one side we have medical experts praising the beneficial results of use by cancer patients, AIDS patients and those who suffer from glaucoma. On the other side we have politicians who arbitrarily, without the benefit of scientific expertise, deny sick people the benefits of a drug that experts say work.

The harmful effects of marijuana have yet to be proven conclusively and unlike alcohol, a legal drug, nobody ever died from an overdose. It's time that lawmakers quit wasting valuable law enforcement and judicial resources on a problem that doesn't exist.

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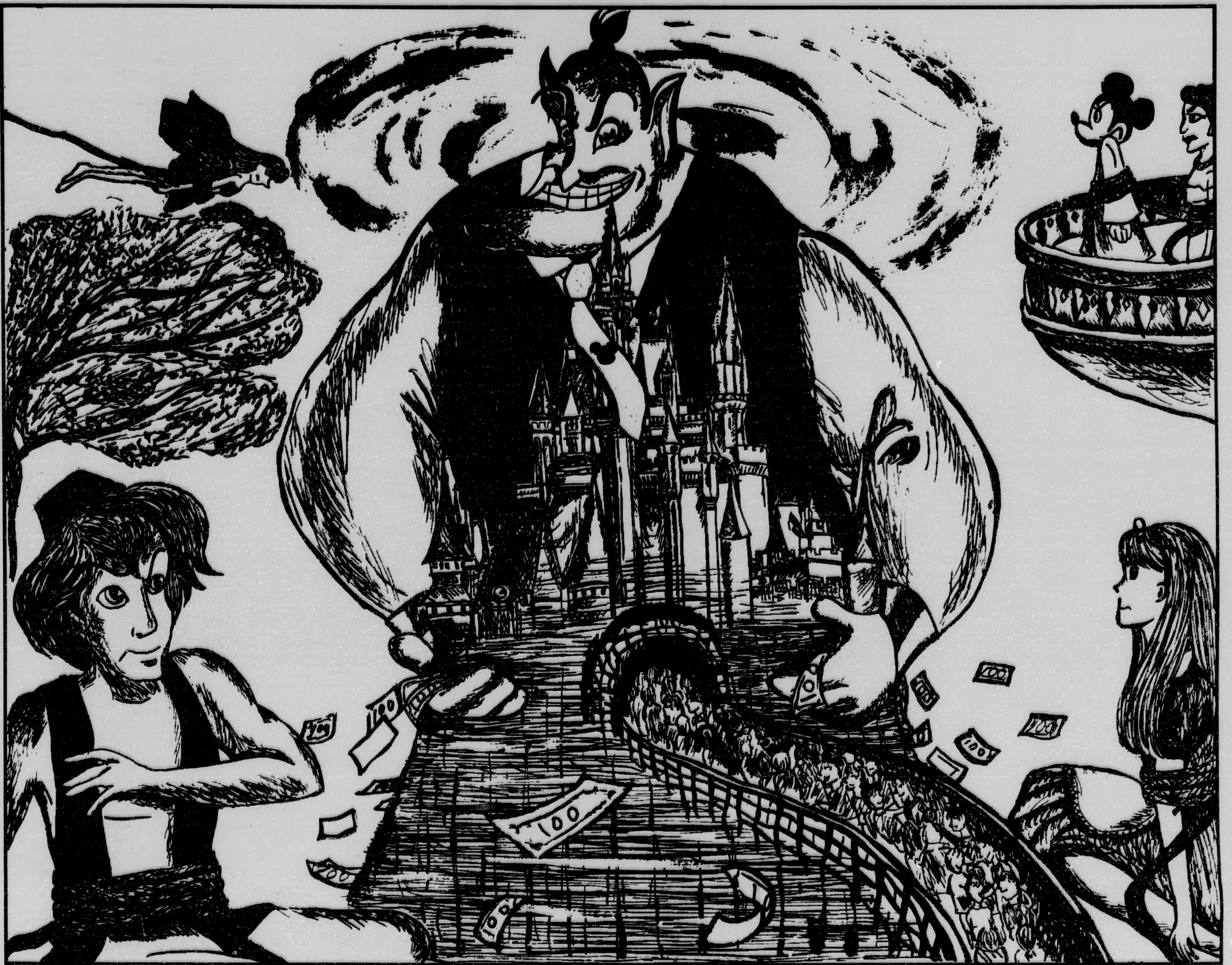
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## For employees: Disneyland is not 'The happiest place on earth'

### OPINION

By Arthur Smithee  
Special to the el Don

The other day I walked down Main Street hand in hand with Mickey Mouse. Once upon a time this would have been a big moment for me, but the magic is gone and no amount of pixie dust can change how I feel about "The happiest place on earth."

This was not always true, when I was 10-years-old, my family and I visited Disneyland for the first time. Up until then, all I knew about the Magic Kingdom was what I saw on television, at the movies or read in the Little Golden Books. That trip would change my life. I thought that the only thing better than going to Disneyland was working at the Magic Kingdom.

What better way to make a living then by making people happy?

This was a world of make believe, where dreams came true. Where you could be goofy and loved for it.

For the next eight years all I wanted to do, when I finished high-school, was to go to California to college and work at Disneyland.

Before the ink was dry on my high-school diploma I applied for work at the park. I didn't know it at the time but this marked the end of a dream and the beginning of an ongoing nightmare.

At first I didn't believe the "old-timers" who had tried to warn me about the big brother atmosphere that surrounded the park. I chose to ignore their advice and defend

the management, their reply was usually, "you'll see."

As the years passed I began to see changes taking place in management policy towards the cast members, as management

*Before the ink was dry on my high-school diploma I applied for work at the park. I didn't know it at the time but this marked the end of a dream and the beginning of an ongoing nightmare.*

lovingly refers to employees. And still, ever the optimist, I kept hoping things would smooth over. I was wrong and the veterans who warned me turned out to be right.

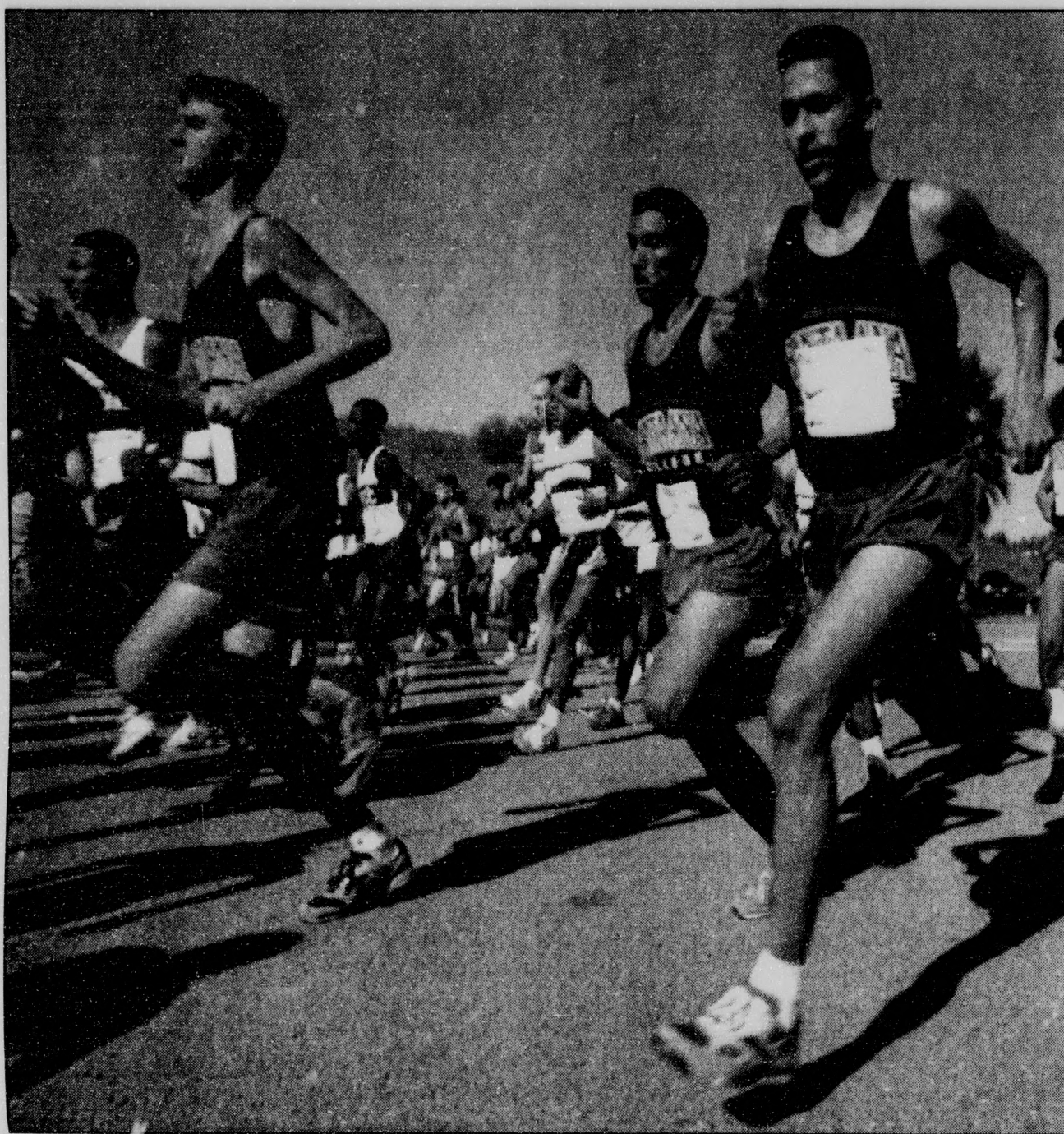
The personal, hands-on management style of Walt Disney has been replaced by the impersonal, profit-motivated corporate style of the Eisner regime. What this has accomplished, besides record profits for the park and corporation, is to bring cast member morale to an all time low.

Besides the firings that have

made news recently when tour guides on the jungle cruise deviated from the prepared scripts, employees face constant indignities that would make Walt spin in his grave. Video cameras that are supposed to stop crime are used to spy on the cast members. Guest complaints take priority over the word of the castmember and guilty till proven innocent appears to be the order of the day. Corporate executive types "coach" castmembers how to service the guests, without the input of those that have been here for 42 years.

All of this creates an atmosphere of mistrust between management and the cast members. The family feeling that Walt strived for when he was alive, has been replaced by deceit, hypocrisy and underhanded practices. Disneyland still has the feel of a family though ... a dysfunctional family.





SAC'S Jimmy Patino, Mike Avellan and Victor Aranda trekking it on the Mt. SAC course.

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## Dons prove their sole with victory

**Cross Country:** Santa Ana College runners conquered one of the nations toughest courses in winning their fourth major invitational this season.

Theresa Hudzinski  
el Don Editor in Chief

**B**attling hills, heat and gnats, the Santa Ana College's men's cross country dominated last Friday's Mt. San Antonio Invitational, winning their fourth invitational this season.

With a score of 56 points, the Dons finished eight points ahead of second place El Camino College, and 27 points ahead of third place Pasadena City College.

Alex Reyes led the Dons in the grueling four-mile race with a time of 21:40. Reyes, battling heat and the brutal Mt. Sac course, averaged 5:25 per mile. Wenceslado Morales (21:48), Juan Soto (21:48), Victor Aranda (22:00) and Mike Avellan (22:01) rounded out the top five runners for Santa Ana College.



Mike Avellan places 14th with a 22:01 over the 4 mile course

"It's great that we are winning, but the best thing about our team is the hard work, discipline, and team spirit," said head coach Al Siddons.

The men showed pride and character in winning their 4th major invitational of the season, Siddons said.

This marked the 50th anniversary of the Mt. SAC Invitational.

Most running experts consider Mt. SAC an elite meet. It is one of the largest cross country invitationals in the United States, and multiple state, national and Olympic champions have competed at the venerable meet.

Santa Ana College runners will now have a much needed week off from competition.

The Dons will be able to get in some solid training and recovery time before they challenge for the Orange Empire Conference crown at Saddleback College, on Nov. 1 at 9:30 a.m. State regionals begin the following week.

### SAC MEN'S MT SAC RESULTS

Place	Name	Time
8	Alex Reyes	21:40
10	W. Morales	21:48
11	Juan Soto	21:48
13	Victor Aranda	22:00
14	Mike Avellan	22:01
27	Berto Castro	22:31
31	Jimmy Patino	22:34
32	Jason Claypool	22:42
40	Ralph Perez	22:57
41	Mike Lopez	22:59
45	Jim Sparks	23:17
77	Israel Soriano	25:58
78	Carlos Guevera	26:01
86	Jose Bernal	27:20
88	Tran Tuan	27:48

### WOMEN'S MT SAC RESULTS

Place	Name	Time
3	Miriam Garcia	20:06
5	Karla Rojas	20:22
7	Alma Soto	20:43
33	Ana Carbajal	23:00
37	Erika Gutierrez	23:14
39	Lety Padilla	23:23
45	Nashelly Ortiz	24:20
54	Lorena Cenicerros	27:21



### HOW XC IS SCORED

Cross Country is one of the few sports in which every athlete on the team contributes to the score. There usually is no limit to the amount of runners that can enter the competition. Scoring is based according to the finishing time of the top five members.

"To be a winner it takes five people, and five or more people to make a team. No. 8 is encouraging No. 1 and vice versa," said women's head coach Leticia Mora.

## Women take third at Mt. SAC invitational

**CROSS COUNTRY:** Eight Don women place in the top 55 at prestigious meet.

By Theresa Hudzinski  
el Don Editor in Chief

Hard work and training paid off for Santa Ana College's women's cross country team as they ran to a third place finish in the Mt. San Antonio Invitational last Friday.

With a score of 79 points, this was the first time the Dons placed in the top three this season. An entire team effort was made by the more experienced and the newcomers alike.

"This is a team and if they stick together, they'll make it work out," head coach Leticia Mora said in regards to the upcoming championships.

Sophomore Miriam Garcia placed third overall in the race, with a time of 20:06 in the three mile race, averaging 6:42 a mile.

Karla Rojas, also in her second year, ran her way in to the top five, with a time of 20:22. The top five runners for SAC were Garcia, Rojas, Alma

Soto (20:43), Ana Carbajal (23:00) and Erika Gutierrez (23:14).

The Irvine Invitational was Carbajal first race in her college career, placing 77th. At Mt. SAC, the 31-year-old bettered her time and placed 33rd.

Mt. SAC is regarded as one of the toughest courses in the nation, but that didn't phase the team. "Even though sometimes you feel like quitting you just can't," said Carbajal.

Orange Empire Conference Championships are Nov. 1 at Saddleback College.



Women's cross country displaying their medals after their third place finish at the Mt. SAC Invitational.

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# Dons swat Hornets

SAC Volleyball squashes Fullerton College 3-2



Tom Street / el Don

After a shaky middle game the Dons squeaked out a win in three sets over Fullerton College team.

By Theresa Hudzinski  
el Don Editor in Chief

Overconfidence almost cost Santa Ana College's Volleyball a 3-2 win over Fullerton College Hornets Wednesday.

Total Don domination during the first game left the Hornets wondering what hit them. SAC effortlessly trampled them with a 15-2 win.

The majority of scoring in that game was done when sophomore Cheri Bancroft was in the serving position.

In the second game, the tables were turned when Fullerton stunned the Dons (3-6, 2-3) with a 15-8 loss. SAC trailed the Hornets the entire

game.

And the Dons couldn't rekindle the fire during the third game as they once again lost 15-10.

Plagued with problems, SAC servers couldn't make the ball clear the net.

Possession of the ball changed sides eight times before the next point was made, with no real volleying involved.

"I don't know what went wrong the second and third game, we did everything the same, same players. I think it was just over confidence and a mental lapse," said head coach Kathy Farina.

It was Fullerton's turn to fold as the Dons tied the match

up during the fourth game, 15-3.

Both teams would not go down without a fight in the game five.

Matching each other point for point until the Don pulled ahead to win 15-10.

Bancroft led the team with 13 kills. Freshman Sharron Lucas followed closely behind with 12 and Amanda Tynan had 11 kills.

Freshman setter Aide Suarez had 34 assists but wasn't thrilled at the teams overall performance.

"We played O.K. But we weren't focused," said Suarez.

SAC's next game is at Cypress College on Wednesday, Oct. 29 at 7 p.m.

## LINE OUT

### ●SCORING

Only the serving team can score. The first team to 15 wins, and the winning team must win three out of four games.

### ●CONTACT

The ball must go over the net onto the other team's side in three contacts, not including the block.

### ●SERVING

A team must hit the ball over the net, not set it over. The ball must be hit in the air.

# Everything 'sets' right with Suarez

**PROFILE:** Freshman is backbone to Santa Ana College's volleyball offense.

Theresa Hudzinski  
el Don Editor in Chief

From a far away Aide Suarez looks like a typical freshmen in college, sweet, quiet and ready for new experiences.

At a closer look, Santa Ana College's newest volleyball setter, is one motivated, aggressive athlete. "I see myself as very competitive," said Suarez.

The youngest of two girls, the Valley High School graduate isn't afraid to run, slide or take tumble to keep the ball from hitting the floor.

She played volleyball all four years in high school, but is new to the position as setter.



Aide Suarez

"Aide is a very good freshman, she's hard working and a real team player," said head coach Kathy Farina.

"She's never really been a setter before, but she's doing great. She played well in a really tough game."

During Wednesday's 3-2 win over Fullerton College, Suarez had 34 assists, and was constantly supporting her teammates.

When she's not training, Suarez spends her spare time working in a tax office and enjoys listening to Spanish rock.

After her career here at Santa Ana College, Suarez plans to study law at the University of California, at Santa Barbara.

"It's such a beautiful place," said Suarez. And her philosophy is that life is good

Suarez has only one thing to say to the student body of SAC. "Come on down and cheer for us, we love it when you are supportive of what we do."

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# Dons rip Rustlers 53-12

**FOOTBALL:** Five different players score touchdowns in easy win.

By Cliff Mason  
el Don Staff Writer

Once the Santa Ana College football team got a taste of victory it became an addiction for them. They pummeled the Golden West Rustlers Saturday 56-14 for the second win in a row. The (2-3) Dons had five different players score touchdowns.

Tramel Robinson, SAC second-year running back, scored four touchdowns to lead the onslaught of Dons parading in the Rustlers' end-zone. He carried the ball 21 times for 187 yards; At the half, Robinson had 135 yards rushing, on 13 carries.

Four more Dons scored touchdowns as SAC took advantage of every opportunity. Aaron Kenney, second-year tight end, Byron Schley, second-year running back, and Spencer Frost, a freshman running back from El Dorado High all scored touchdowns, as well as Jake Ehlen, another

freshman line backer from El Dorado, who recovered a Golden West fumble in the end-zone for a touchdown.

The key to the Dons' attack was quarterback Archie Lappin, a freshman from Loara High, who completed 13 of 17 passes for 137 yards. Lappin also had eight carries for 60 yards. He was side-lined briefly, early in the second quarter, after being hit just as he released a pass. The

*"I thought the game would be much closer than this... We were expecting a battle, I'm really surprised it was this easy."*

Archie Lappin  
-SAC quarterback



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The Dons Jake Ehlen's returned an interception for a touchdown thrown by Golden West quarterback John Frank.

## ROBINSON NAMED O.C. REGISTER ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



Santa Ana College sophomore running back Tramel Robinson was named Community College Athlete of the Week by the Orange County Register.

Robinson leads the Orange Empire Conference and Orange County with 487-yards in 62 carries.

In last Saturday's game against Golden West Rustlers, Robinson scored four touchdowns and rushed for 187-yards on 21 carries. Robinson had 135 yards at the half.

## SOUTHLAND CCLC POLL

- 1.....Bakersfield College
- 2.....Long Beach City College
- 3.....Mt. San Antonio College
- 4.....Cerritos College
- 5.....Los Angeles Valley College
- 6.....San Bernardino Valley College
- 7.....Southwestern College
- 8.....El Camino College
- 9.....Los Angeles Harbor College
- 10.....Saddleback College

ball went straight in the air and was caught by a Dons' lineman. The Dons were penalized five yards for an ineligible receiver on that play.

Lappin said, "They caught me with my arm in the air and it hyper extended my elbow, after that I caught a cramp, but it didn't last long."

While the game seemed a bit one sided, the Dons were expecting a fight. Both

teams had come to Santa Ana Stadium with identical records (1-3) but it was SAC who took control early and never looked back. The Dons collected 523 offensive yards, while their defense sacked the Rustlers' quarterback John Frank five times and caught two interceptions as they held him to 14 of 26 completions for 141 yards.

"I thought the game would be much closer than this," Lappin said. "We were

expecting a battle, I'm really surprised it was this easy."

As easy as it was for the Dons to rout the Rustlers, they were penalized 14 times for 110 yards, while Golden West had six penalties for 30 yards.

On Saturday, Oct. 25, they play Saddleback who were ranked 23rd in the nation by the JC grid wire until their upset by Long Beach City College last week.

# Men's soccer forced to forfeit 11 games

**TROUBLES:** A clerical error by the athletic department has left the Dons in danger of missing the playoffs.

By Theresa Hudzinski  
el Don Editor in Chief

Despite forfeiting 11 games because of an athletic department clerical error, which left two player's names off of a league-mandated eligibility list, the mens soccer team holds a slim lead over Fullerton in the Orange Empire Conference standings.

With five games remaining the Dons ( 6-11, 6-2 ) are in a must-win situation because of the forfeitures.

"Because two player's names were left off of the official eligibility list that is sent to the OEC commissioner, We were forced to forfeit all 11 games in which the

athletes played," said David Dobos, dean of athletics.

While Dobos concedes that the error should not have happened, he is unable to pinpoint the reason for the clerical miscue that could cost the soccer team a possible playoff berth.

"We are just not good enough detectives to find out what really happened. The papers could have been misplaced, they could have been simply gotten lost. Nevertheless, it shouldn't have happened," Dobos said.

While frustrated, head coach J.P. Frutos is looking forward and not searching for blame.

"From this problem, we will rise from the ashes and make the

best of it," Frutos said. "We will just keep doing what we are doing."

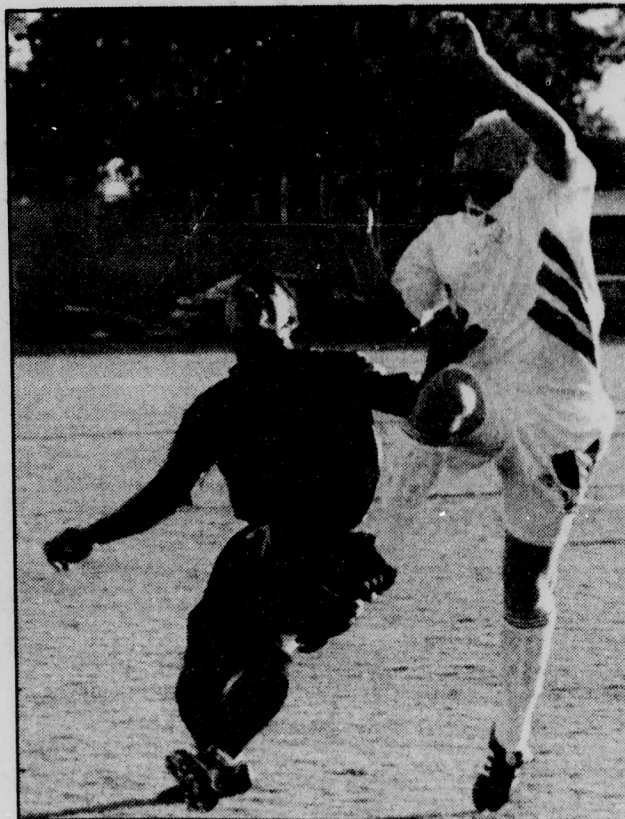
Since the forfeits, the Dons have gone undefeated and have responded to Frutos' challenge.

As for future precautions, Dobos assures that more elaborate procedures will be used.

"I don't know where it broke down, but it won't again," Dobos said.

In order to make the playoffs, the Dons must win at least four of their five remaining games including a tough match-up against rival Fullerton which could very well decide the fate of the OEC league championship and the Dons' playoff hopes.

The athletic department did not reveal the names of the two players.



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SAC's captain, Otto Supe played heads up soccer in the Dons 10-1 win over the Irvine Valley Lasers Friday.